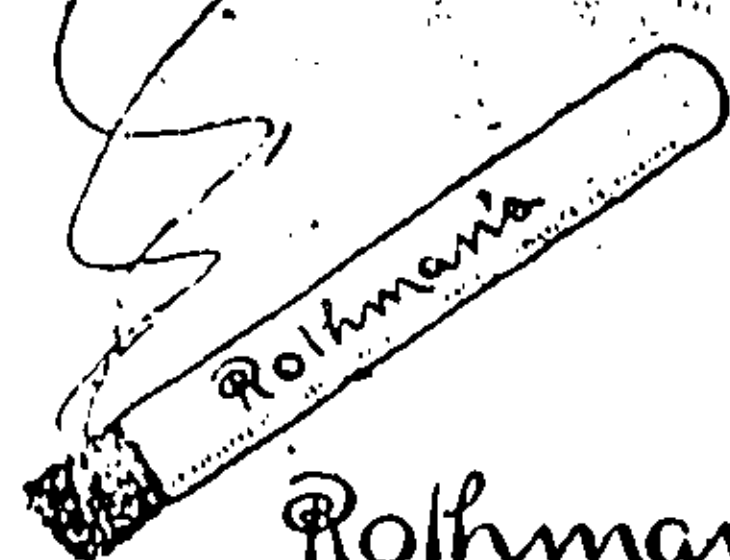


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RED AIR FORCE BOMBS BERLIN

Moscow radio yesterday stated that Russian planes were over Berlin on Thursday night and that a number of incendiary bombs were dropped.

All the Soviet planes returned safely.—Reuter.

YUNNAN DEFENCE MOVES

Persistent Japanese reports of a Sino-British military agreement, were denied in well-informed quarters in Chungking yesterday.

The reports had probably arisen from the Chinese military preparations along the borders of Kwangsi and Yunnan which had been going on since the Japanese occupation of Northern Indo-China, which is regarded as a threat to China's south-west provinces.

It is pointed out that the presence of high Chinese military leaders in Yunnan is for the purpose of supervising the defence arrangements and the destruction of the roads near the frontier, where the Chinese forces are ready to meet any eventuality.

A complete understanding, it is stated, exists between the Central Government and the Yunnan Provincial authorities regarding the defence arrangements.—Reuter.

TURKISH DEFENCES

The Turkish Government is to widen the scope of the law providing for a state of siege in the area of the Dardanelles and Turkish Thrace.

A special court martial is to be established in Ankara to deal with cases of treason and spying.—Reuter.

ENEMY DISPERSED IN LIBYA

Yesterday's Middle East communiqué briefly stated: "In Libya our patrols in the frontier area shelled and dispersed small parties of enemy troops."—Reuter.

Atmosphere Still One Of Suspense

"A LITTLE BETTER" IS HOW DIPLOMATIC QUARTERS IN BANGKOK YESTERDAY GUARDEDLY DESCRIBED THE JAPANESE-THAI SITUATION OVER THE LAST FEW HOURS.

These quarters are of opinion that the statements of Mr. Cordell Hull and Mr. Anthony Eden have encouraged the Thais but emphasise that the atmosphere is still one of suspense.

Provided the slight improvement in the situation is maintained they believe it might not be too rash to hope that this storm will blow over in the same way as the recent Netherlands East Indies storm, though the two are not exactly parallel.

Meanwhile, Luang Vichit Vathakarn, prominent member of the Thai Cabinet, told the press in Bangkok yesterday that "Thais will fight to the last drop of their blood to preserve their national independence, from whichever direction the attack may come."

Determined On Neutrality

He declared the Government was determined to maintain strict neutrality.

What the Thai press thinks of the utterances of Mr. Cordell Hull and Mr. Eden on the Japanese-Thai crisis can be gauged by the fact that the majority of the Thai morning papers hit up the statements with front-page streamers.

Meanwhile from opposite press quarters in Singapore yesterday came a demand for a stronger Anglo-American attitude towards Japan and, on the other hand, Japan is urged to be prudent.

The "Straits Times" demanding that the United States and Britain should announce forthwith they are willing immediately to go to the aid of Thailand, writes:

Would Avoid War

"WAR IN THE PACIFIC WILL BE AVOIDED FROM THE MOMENT THE BRITISH AND AMERICANS MAKE IT ABUNDANTLY CLEAR TO JAPAN THAT THEY ARE WILLING TO WAGE WAR AGAINST HER." The Japanese-owned "Singapore Herald," frequently the mouthpiece of the Japanese authorities, says it would be "madness" for the Japanese to attempt to move southward either by Burma or Thailand.—Reuter.

JAPANESE SPOKESMAN'S MILDNESS

"All Japanese ships for the United States have been stopped and there is no fresh development," a Japanese spokesman told foreign correspondents in Tokyo yesterday.

He added, however, that Japan might consider reciprocating if American vessels sailed for Japan.

No oil had been received from the United States since the freezing of Japanese assets but, the spokesman added, trade relations between Japan and the Netherlands East Indies were "more or less hopeful."—Reuter.

RUSSIAN RELATIONS WITH U.S.

THE RECENT EXCHANGE OF NOTES BETWEEN MR. SUMNER WELLES AND M. LOZOVSKY, SOVIET AMBASSADOR IN WASHINGTON, INDICATES A RAPPROCHEMENT BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND THE SOVIET BUT DOES NOT MEAN THAT A FACT OF FRIENDSHIP HAS BEEN CONCLUDED.

This statement was made by M. Lozovsky, Deputy-Chief of the Soviet Information Bureau, replying to a question at his press conference, says Moscow radio.

M. Lozovsky added: "The exchange of Notes shows the United States has decided to give economic aid to the Soviet Union in her struggle against armed aggression. This assistance results from the common cause of the two countries—that of destroying Hitlerism once and for all."—Reuter.

CANADA TAKES PRECAUTIONS ON PACIFIC COAST

All necessary precautions were being taken on the Canadian Pacific coast in view of the Far Eastern tension, Colonel Ralston, Dominion Defence Minister, declared in Ottawa yesterday.

The 6th Canadian Division of the active Army was now being mobilised, he added.—Reuter.

Japanese Troops In Saigon

IT IS UNDERSTOOD IN SAIGON THAT TWO-THIRDS OF THE AGREED JAPANESE OCCUPATION FORCES HAVE ALREADY ARRIVED IN THAT CITY AND THE REMAINDER ARE DUE INSIDE A WEEK.

The Japanese are arranging to establish a permanent efficient landing base in Saigon.—Reuter.

Mr. Hull Replies To Axis

A statement that Germany was looking with longing eyes to the Western Hemisphere for further conquests was made by Mr. Cordell Hull, United States Secretary of State, at his press conference yesterday.

He added that Japan alone was responsible for any encirclement of herself in the Pacific.

Mr. Hull was commenting on the statements by the official spokesmen in Berlin and Tokyo in which the former referred to the German campaign to expose President Roosevelt's "ruthless power politics" in Latin-America and the latter asserted that Great Britain, China, the United States and the Netherlands were encircling Japan.

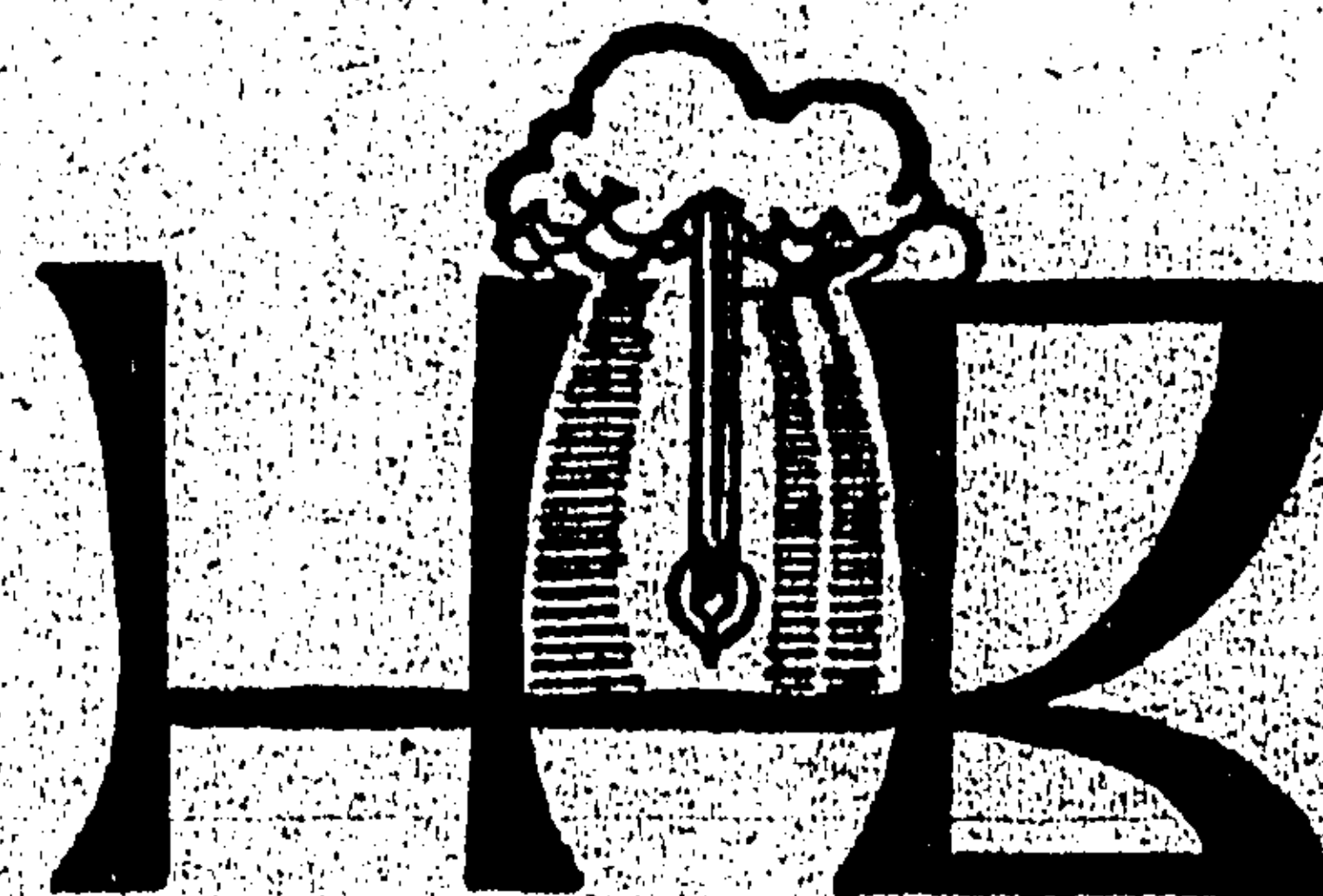
Mr. Cordell Hull described the Berlin claim as a "transparent piece of propaganda which would not deceive any country in the Western Hemisphere."

It came, he added, from a group representing a government which had ruthlessly seized 15 countries in Europe.—Reuter.

POLISH MISSION IN MOSCOW

A Polish military mission arrived in Moscow yesterday, headed by the famous General Bohusz Szyzsko, says Reuter.

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Germans Making Increasing Rapid Progress Past Kiev Threat To Odessa "Pretty Serious"

THE VIEW IN AUTHORITATIVE QUARTERS IN LONDON YESTERDAY IS THAT THE GERMAN THREAT TO ODESSA IS BECOMING "PRETTY SERIOUS." INDICATIONS ARE THAT THE GERMAN FORCES ARE MAKING INCREASINGLY RAPID PROGRESS IN A SOUTH-EASTERLY DIRECTION FROM BEYELATSEKOV AND ARE FOLLOWING THE SOUTH SIDE OF THE RIVER DNIEPER (ITS RIGHT BANK) PAST KIEV.

They are faced with obstacles in any attempt to cross the river but may follow its course round towards the Black Sea in the hope of encircling the port of Odessa and the inland town of Nikolaiev, and if they succeed, would cut off those places from the north.

The direction of their thrust may alter, however, if they meet unexpected resistance.

The direct railway line between Kiev and Odessa has already been reported cut by the enemy advance but other railway communications between the two places are still unaffected.

Elsewhere on the Russian front there was little change yesterday.

The Berlin correspondent of the Swedish newspaper "Stockholm Tidningen" reports the Germans have broken through the Russian front at Jelnja, 60 miles south-east of Smolensk.

He also reports from Berlin that German troops are now advancing between Pelpus and Tallin to the Gulf of Finland.

Warning To Germans

The correspondent in Berlin of the Swedish newspaper "Dagens"

GUESTS OF MR. EDEN

Among the guests at a luncheon given by the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Eden, yesterday, were the Egyptian and Chinese Ambassadors and the Dutch Foreign Minister, Dr. E. N. van Kleffens. —Reuter.

Nyheter" says that though it is claimed in Berlin that a big wedge has been driven to the south-west of the Russian front between the Rivers Dniester and Dnieper, the public are warned not to expect the encirclement of the Odessa region for some weeks.

THEY ARE REMINDED OF THE TIME THE ENCIRCLEMENT OF SMOLENSK TOOK.

Finnish Islands Occupied

A Swedish correspondent in Finland reports that the Finns have reached Sohjanansuu. On other fronts the Finns are consolidating.

The activity of the Russians at Hangoo is shown by the occupation of two Finnish islands.

German Claims

The German High Command claims further Ukraine successes,

declaring that the Soviet 6th and 12th Army, and part of the 18th Army Division were destroyed.

It also claims the capture of 103,000 prisoners and 317 tanks, and says that the Soviets have lost 200,000 men. — Reuter.

ATROCITIES BY GERMANS

"APPALLING ATROCITIES," STATED TO HAVE BEEN CARRIED OUT BY THE GERMANS AFTER THEY HAD OCCUPIED THE CITY OF LWOV, WERE DESCRIBED IN A SUPPLEMENTARY ANNOUNCEMENT TO THE MIDDAY SOVIET COMMUNIQUE YESTERDAY.

Letters and reports, says the announcement, have reached the Soviet Information Bureau from citizens of Lwow who managed to escape to territory occupied by the Soviet Army. They were helped by guerilla units.

"Citizens of Lwow were eye-witnesses of appalling atrocities perpetrated by the German Fascists. These prove beyond doubt that the Germans practised the deliberate extermination of a peaceful population.

"A school-teacher named Kowalski reports that many people were collected together in a theatre by the German authorities and each of them asked to indicate the names of prominent citizens.

Executions By Gestapo

"Out of 500 only a few 'turned yellow.' The others refused to give the desired information.

"The Fascists seized every fifth person, dragged them out into the yard and shot them. Thus over 100 people lost their lives.

"Comrade Brianzov reports he witnessed the execution by Gestapo agents of 25 workers of the Aida factory.

"Thirty workers of a sewing factory were killed in their homes by Storm Troopers.

Priest Killed

"An old priest named Pomashev, with crosses in his hand, implored them to spare the peaceful population but he was maltreated by the Fascists. He was beaten up, his beard burnt and his robes torn off, and finally he was killed with the bayonet.

"Some refugees from Lwow state that no fewer than 6,000 people were killed or tortured to death by the Germans. Four hundred prominent men were shot." — Reuter.

TURKS PLEASED BY MR. EDEN'S STATEMENT

Mr. Eden's statement in Parliament reaffirming British loyalty to the Anglo-Turkish Treaty was splashed on the front pages of Turkish newspapers.

It has given profound satisfaction in Ankara and has countered Nazi efforts to spread baseless suspicions. — Reuter.

VICTORY IS NEAR AT HAND

An appeal to the populations of Soviet territory "temporarily" occupied by the Germans to "wreak merciless, complete and continuous vengeance on the enemy," is contained in a proclamation issued by Marshal Timoshenko, commander-in-chief of the Central Front which includes Smolensk.

"Join the guerilla detachments," declares the proclamation.

"Attack behind the lines and destroy the German convoys. Burn and destroy the bridges, cut the telegraph wires and telephone lines, burn down houses and forests where the German plunderers are hiding, do not give a single ounce of food to the enemy.

"An eye for an eye, a tooth for a tooth. Our victory is near at hand." — Reuter.

RAID ON ALEX.

An air raid on Alexandria was the subject of a communique issued by the Egyptian Ministry of Interior yesterday.

The communique stated: "An air raid occurred on Thursday night at Alexandria. Bombs were dropped causing death to 13 and injuries to 23. Some damage was done to property." — Reuter.

FLEET AIR ARM ATTACKS CONVOY

AIRCRAFT OF THE British Fleet Air Arm, in an attack on a convoy in the Mediterranean, sank two merchant vessels, probably sank a third and badly damaged a fourth, according to an R.A.F. Middle East communique issued yesterday.

One of the escorting destroyers is also thought to have been damaged. The communique states:—

Mediterranean: "During Wednesday night, aircraft of the Fleet Air Arm successfully attacked an enemy convoy of six merchant vessels escorted by an equal number of destroyers off the island of Lampedusa. Several torpedoes were released and a number of them found their targets.

"One of the merchant vessels, of 8,000 tons, and another of 6,000 tons were sunk. The damage was confirmed early the next morning by a formation of R.A.F. Blenheims which again attacked the convoy consisting now of four merchant vessels.

"Eastwards of Kerkenna, another 6,000-ton vessel was hit with two heavy bombs and severely damaged. She was probably sunk. Another merchant vessel of 6,000 tons was hit and badly damaged.

Malta Raid

"During the attack by the Blenheims one of the escorting destroyers did not open fire and is thought to have been damaged.

"Malta: Three enemy aircraft approached Malta during Wednesday night. The first to cross the coast was shot down in flames into the sea, and the others turned back without dropping any bombs on land.

Sicily: During the same night aircraft of the Fleet Air Arm bombed and machine-gunned a number of enemy aircraft on the ground at Gerbini. The aerodrome at Comiso was attacked during the previous day and bombs were seen to burst near the hangars.

Tripolitania: Our bombers yesterday attacked the harbour at Tripoli and bombs were seen bursting on the Spanish Quay. During the previous night the South African Air Force, using Marylands, carried out attacks at Bouda, where bombs were dropped on the barracks. From all these operations our aircraft returned safely." — Reuter.

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(By Reuter's Special Correspondent)

AUTHENTIC INFORMATION IN REGARD TO THE BATTLE OF RUSSIA IS RECEIVED WITH THE GREATEST INTEREST AMONG THE ALLIED ARMIES IN THE MIDDLE EAST.

All realise the close connection between the outcome of the Russian struggle and the campaigns to which the troops in the Middle East look forward when the present intense heat ends.

Strategists are eager not to lose the wonderful opportunity to force the Axis to fight on two fronts.

German fears that the British might invade Norway or the Low Countries have been noted in Cairo but it is felt that whether or not Britain at present takes the offensive in northern Europe, the powerful forces now ready in Egypt, Palestine, Syria and Iraq themselves constitute a threat to open up the dreaded second front which will prove Hitler's downfall and which may be opened up beyond the strict confines of Europe itself.

Menace To Nazi Flank

A glance at the map shows how, if Hitler succeeds in penetrating deeply into Russia, the Allied armies in the Middle East would menace his flank whilst if Hitler is beaten back from Russia the Middle East troops would have a choice of directions in which they could sally forth and help convert the second retreat from Moscow into a disaster more crippling than 1812.

It is felt in Cairo that the Kremlin must take solid comfort from the spectacle of a friendly Turkey upon Russia's left flank, with the powerful Allied armies adjoining, affording assurance that any Axis attempt at an outflanking manoeuvre through Asia Minor would be a desperate gamble.

The Middle East forces are being tuned up to concert pitch in anticipation of strenuous encounters not far ahead.—Reuter.

PETAIN'S INCREASED POWERS?

Powers somewhat similar to those held by the President of the United States are suggested for the head of the French State — at present Marshal Petain — under the new Constitution now being considered.

Two main ideas are embodied in the Constitution which has not yet reached its definitive form and is still a secret. These are increased powers for the head of the State and a reformed electoral system with a wider suffrage.

Ministers would be chosen by the head of the State, and the head of the State would be automatically Prime Minister, and hold office for a long term, with the possibility of being eligible for further terms.

The Commission drafting the new Constitution proposes the extension of the franchise to women, states the Vichy news agency.—Reuter.

NEW ARMS FOR HOME GUARD

Tommy Guns Being Distributed

Tommy guns and new anti-tank weapons are now being distributed in increasing numbers to the 1,750,000 Home Guards in Britain. The force is also being trained in the use of two new and effective grenades.

This was revealed by a high officer of the Home Guard directorate of Britain. He declared that the function of the force remains three-fold, namely:

Watching, observing, reporting and guiding.

Local defence.

Assisting civil defence in air raids.

The Home Guard will combine the static defence. He likened a role of local mobility with one each local unit to "a small, active but fierce dog on a reasonably long chain." He also mentioned two new minor developments:

A travelling "circus," or school, has been formed, consisting of three officers and two N.C.O.s, who go about the country giving instruction.

Cadets Affiliated

It was revealed that 25,000 members of the Cadet Force, between the ages of 14 and 18, are to become affiliated to the Home Guard.

"Each cadet unit will have a 'godfather' in a local Home Guard unit," the spokesman said. "This arrangement will fill the need felt by the cadets since the Territorial Army units left their peace stations. We want it to be a point of honour for every cadet of 17 to join the Home Guard."

KING DRIVES A TANK

Surprised At Its Comfort

The King drove a tank for the first time recently. It was one of Britain's newest, heavy types. He drove it over a testing ground near a Ministry of Supply factory where these tanks are now in production.

Donning a white overall over his Field-Marshal's uniform, the King was seen to be well as veterans.

FRENCH OFFICER HOSTAGES

IT IS UNDERSTOOD THAT THE 35 VICHY OFFICERS IMPRISONED BY THE BRITISH WILL BE RELEASED AS SOON AS ALL THE ALLIED OFFICERS WHO WERE REMOVED FROM SYRIA HAVE BEEN SET AT LIBERTY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TERMS OF THE CONVENTION.

It is believed that certain of the British officer prisoners were being removed from Syria at the very moment the agreement was being finalised.

Several French ships have arrived at Beirut to continue the repatriation of Vichy troops and civilians who have chosen to return to France.—Reuter.

MORGENTHAU ASKS HIGHER TAXATION

IN A STATEMENT to the U.S. Senate Finance Committee yesterday, Mr. Henry Morgenthau, Secretary of Treasury, advocated an "all-out tax programme for defence."

Mr. Morgenthau asked Congress to tax millions of additional persons with small incomes by cutting personal income tax exemptions and to increase the taxes on married couples, corporations and others.

He told the Committee that revenue from the \$3,206,000,000 (£801,500,000) Tax Bill should be increased to at least \$3,500,000,000, hinting strongly that he would like much more.

Mr. Morgenthau added that the rapid developments in the last few months made the Tax Bill inadequate even before it was passed.

Inflation Bogey

He declared the amount of appropriations, authorisations and recommendations over the Budget had increased by \$14,000,000,000 (£3,500,000,000), thus completely changing the fiscal picture and greatly increasing the need for revenue.

Increased demand and restricted output were causing inflationary price rises which threatened to increase the cost of the defence programme, unbalance family budgets, and seriously disturb America's economic life.

This was the plain reason why increased taxation was needed to help maintain economic stability.—Reuter.

King clambered into the driving compartment and took the tank round the field. Then he clambered into the commander's turret and was driven again over the test course.

Easy To Handle

The King afterwards commented on the ease of handling the big, heavy vehicle, and said he had been surprised to find how comfortable was his ride.

When the King stood at the end of the big factory and gazed back at the long line of tanks just being finished, women gave him a cheer as the first tank on the line moved out for its test.

He asked how long women had been working at the factory and was told that they only joined the men three weeks ago, but that now they were working as well as veterans.

NETHERLANDS' SUBMARINE SUCCESS

The Netherlands Admiralty yesterday announced that a Dutch submarine operating with the British Navy sank an enemy supply ship sailing in convoy in the Mediterranean and severely damaged an enemy auxiliary, says Reuter from London.

CARGOES THROWN INTO SEA

An allegation that owing to red tape several hundred pounds' worth of sound timber planks of a kind urgently needed in this country were thrown into the sea off a Northern port recently, has been brought to the notice of Sir Andrew Duncan, Minister of Supply.

Mr. W. W. Wakefield, Conservative M.P. for Swindon, is to ask questions on the matter in the House of Commons. He explained that the timber was used on a cargo vessel to shore up wheat in transit.

As it was not on the bill of lading the Customs authorities refused to allow it to be imported. Representations to the Timber Control failed to obtain the necessary permission. Finally, the skipper dumped all the timber in the sea.

Mr. Wakefield said that other cases of the kind had been brought to his notice. These have included the dumping of wheat and maize at British ports. They were used to aid the loading of steamers carrying other cargoes, and therefore were not included in the bills of lading.

Mr. Wakefield will urge the Minister to see that there is an official at every port who can cut through the red tape of Customs and similar regulations.

AIRCRAFT STRIKE

Several hundred employees of the Curtiss-Wright Corporation working in the propeller section of the factory at Caldwell, N.J., stopped work yesterday.

"Our entire production of defence orders, exceeding \$100,000,000, is imperilled," the company spokesman said.—Reuter.

GERMAN BAN ON CZECH PRESS

THE GERMAN authorities in Bohemia and Moravia, Reuter learns in Czechoslovak circles in London, have suppressed nine of 18 Czech daily newspapers.

They include the "Narodni Listi," Journal of the National Democrats, and the "Narodni Polka," which, apart from its political influence, was the chief advertising medium in Czechoslovakia.

Among suppressed evening papers are the "Express" and "Telegraf," both well-known and popular newspapers, and also two daily journals in Brno.

Altogether the Germans have suppressed 520 newspapers and periodicals out of 1,700, including the Journal of the Czech Museum, which was established over 100 years ago.

The Germans claim that the suppression of a large part of the Czech press has been rendered necessary by the shortage of newsprint, but all German newspapers in the Protectorate are still appearing in pre-war size.—Reuter.

BRITAIN REGISTERS GERMANS

THE INDUSTRIAL REGISTRATION OF AUSTRIANS, GERMANS AND ITALIANS WILL BE CARRIED OUT BY THE MILITARY LABOUR AND NATIONAL SERVICE DURING THE FORTNIGHT BEGINNING NEXT MONDAY.

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CRITICAL STAGE IN FRANCO-GERMAN DISCUSSIONS

GENERAL WEYGAND'S return to Vichy is regarded, according to neutral sources in London yesterday, as a direct consequence of both the critical stage reached in the Franco-German negotiations over defence of the French Empire and also of the decree subordinating General Weygand to Admiral Darlan.

This decree was Darlan's reply to the advocates of a "wait and see" policy, who pirined their faith on General Weygand — a reply possibly dictated by the Germans who mistrust France's strong man in North Africa.

The strength of General Weygand's position lies in the fact that he is a much more popular figure in France than Darlan and he is also practically an autocrat in North Africa, where Darlan is only a name.

If General Weygand's visit to Vichy leads to disagreements between him and Darlan it will not be the first time that General Weygand has put the brake on the impetuosity of Darlan's surrender policy.

It is pointed out that the French community in North Africa do not want to see their territory delivered to Germany and relations with the United States finally compromised.

Anxiety In Morocco

General Weygand arrived in Vichy by air from Africa last evening and immediately joined Marshal Petain at dinner.

Darlan, who has been in Paris for two days, was also expected to return last night.

Meanwhile anxiety is growing throughout French Morocco over the Petain Government's attitude towards the Axis powers, more especially Japan, according to reports from Casablanca.

The surrender of French Indo-China is reported to have had an immediate effect among white colonists in Casablanca—Rabat, Meknes, Fez and Marrakesch—of the strengthening of the pro-de Gaulle movement—a fact which is apparently greatly occupying the High Commissioner, General Nogues.

Free French Danger

Nogues and Darlan, it appears, do not see eye to eye, but it is believed Darlan is hesitating to act against the High Commissioner because of the great esteem in which he is held by the Sultan of Morocco and French subjects.

Any action by Darlan might, it is considered, precipitate a definite movement in favour of the Free French.

Centre of Axis propaganda is at present the Armistice Commission. "Tourists" in French African towns are trying to create hostility to the French people and the French mandate but this manoeuvre appears to have met with little success.

If Vichy permits any German interference in the administration of French Morocco, the Free French movement, it is felt, will further be strengthened. — Reuter.

FIRE DUTY OBJECTOR

A conscientious objector, who claimed that he was unconditionally exempted from fire watching, was sentenced to six days' imprisonment at Exeter for failing to carry out fire watching duty at his place of employment.

The man, Eric Strickland Randall, 21, window dresser, East Grove Road, Exeter, chose prison after the chairman, Mr. H. T. Michelmore, had asked him: "Are you going to do fire watching or go to prison?"

CORRUPT FROM TOP TO BOTTOM

Germany is corrupt from top to bottom, according to an article in the New York "Daily News" yesterday by the French journalist, Michel Pobers who, after working for a year on the Paris "Jour Echo" under the Germans, has escaped to New York.

It extends, he writes, from private to general. There is a morbid questing for pleasure, for strong, hot sensations, a constant state of worry, feeling of instability, fear of the Gestapo and what will happen at home in the future. "Corruption in the army and the German-controlled civilian administration in occupied zones last winter reached gigantic proportions.

"There are few things you cannot get from the Nazis for a bribe — there are few Nazis who will refuse a bribe and it has become a byword in the area."

The article reveals trading in auswies—permits for crossing the occupied — unoccupied frontier. Money thus obtained is spent on pleasure.

The writer continues: "The costliest dissipation of all, with a growing number of followers, is dope. Morphine and heroin have never been in such demand.

"According to the Paris Police the number of drug addicts after war in Germany is always exceptionally high. Now, far from their homes and in constant uncertainty regarding the future, large numbers of young Nazi supermen have sought solace in the vice.

"IT IS THIS DISCOVERY THAT THE NAZIS' SUPERMAN IS STRICTLY GOEBBELS'S CREATION THAT HAS GIVEN FRANCE GROWING CONFIDENCE IN THE FUTURE. THE FRENCH NO LONGER BELIEVE THE GERMAN ARMY INVINCIBLE."—SPECIAL CABLE.

AMERICAN GET THANKS

[SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL"]

THE JAPANESE AUTHORITIES IN SHANGHAI YESTERDAY THANKED THE UNITED STATES GUNBOAT "LUZON" WHOSE PROMPT ACTION ON SUNDAY NIGHT SAVED A JAPANESE SAILOR FROM DROWNING IN THE WHANGPOO.

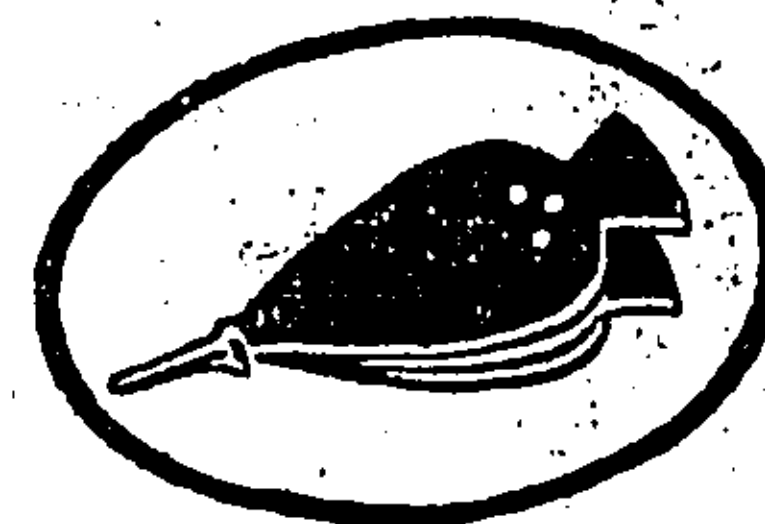
The seaman, named Shitamoto, fell accidentally into the river and the splash and the man's cries were heard on the "Luzon." A boat was sent out with floodlights and picked up the seaman after a 10-minute search. — International News Service.

LONG WAY TO GO STILL

[SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL"]

While authoritative British circles in Shanghai yesterday admitted for the first time that a threat to the positions in the Middle East might develop as a result of a German drive towards the Caucasus, they add that this drive must gain considerable success before General Wavell's forces are brought into play. — International News Service.

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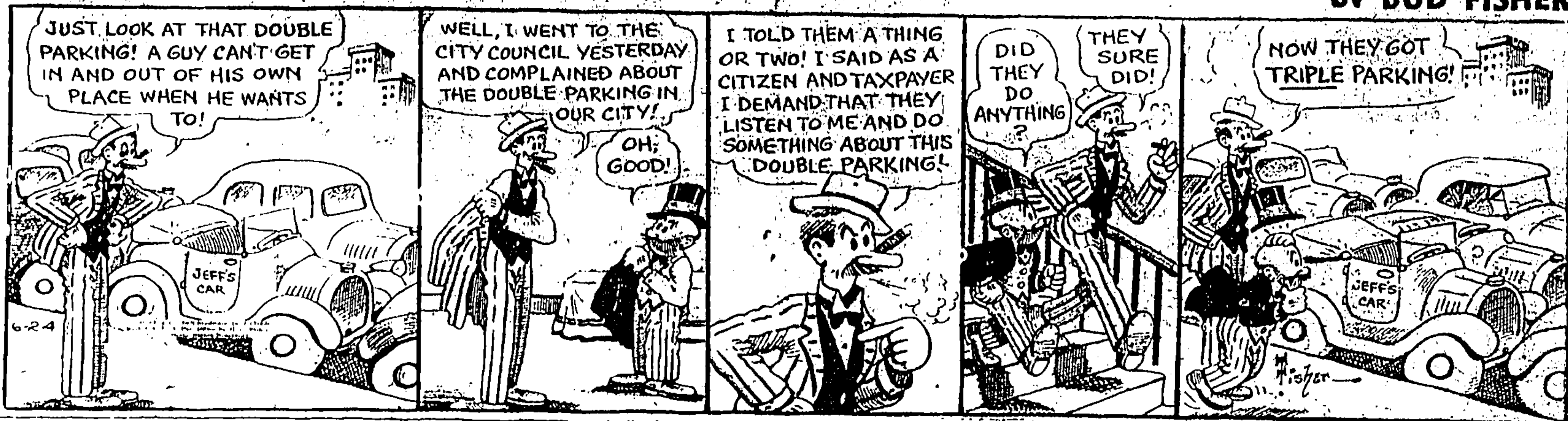
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Time For Action Says Chungking

MUSSOLINI FOLLOWS SON'S BIER

A WREATH BEARING THE WORDS "FROM YOUR FATHER" LAY ON THE COFFIN OF BRUNO MUSSOLINI YESTERDAY AS IT WAS BORNE ON THE SHOULDERS OF A GROUP OF OFFICERS THROUGH THE CROWDED STREETS OF FORLÌ, WHERE MUSSOLINI HAS HIS COUNTRY HOME.

People showered flowers on the bier as it passed followed by Mussolini and his wife, Donna Rachele.

The burial will take place today in the family grave at San Cassiano cemetery at Predappio, Reuter.

THE TIME HAS PASSED when economic sanctions alone would be a sufficient deterrent to restrain Japan from making any adventurous move, and now Britain and the United States should support Thailand by force in resisting Japanese inroads into that country, writes the official "Central Daily News" in Chungking.

"Two years ago," says the journal, "economic sanctions might have prompted Japan to realise the dangerous position she found herself in, but the situation is now completely changed, particularly after the Japanese occupation of entire Indo-China. Attempting to check the Japanese advance through the application of economic punitive measures would be ignoring realities."

In the opinion of the daily, Japan believes a further aggressive move is the best means to counter economic sanctions. Consequently, it is no longer effective to hold Japan back through the employment of economic sanctions.

Furthermore, it may be too late now to try to persuade Thailand to fight by the guarantee of military supplies. Such a guarantee may produce the opposite effect. Thailand has never been out-and-out pro-Japanese. The reason why she has never made clear her attitude is because of the absence of an effective Anglo-American guarantee.

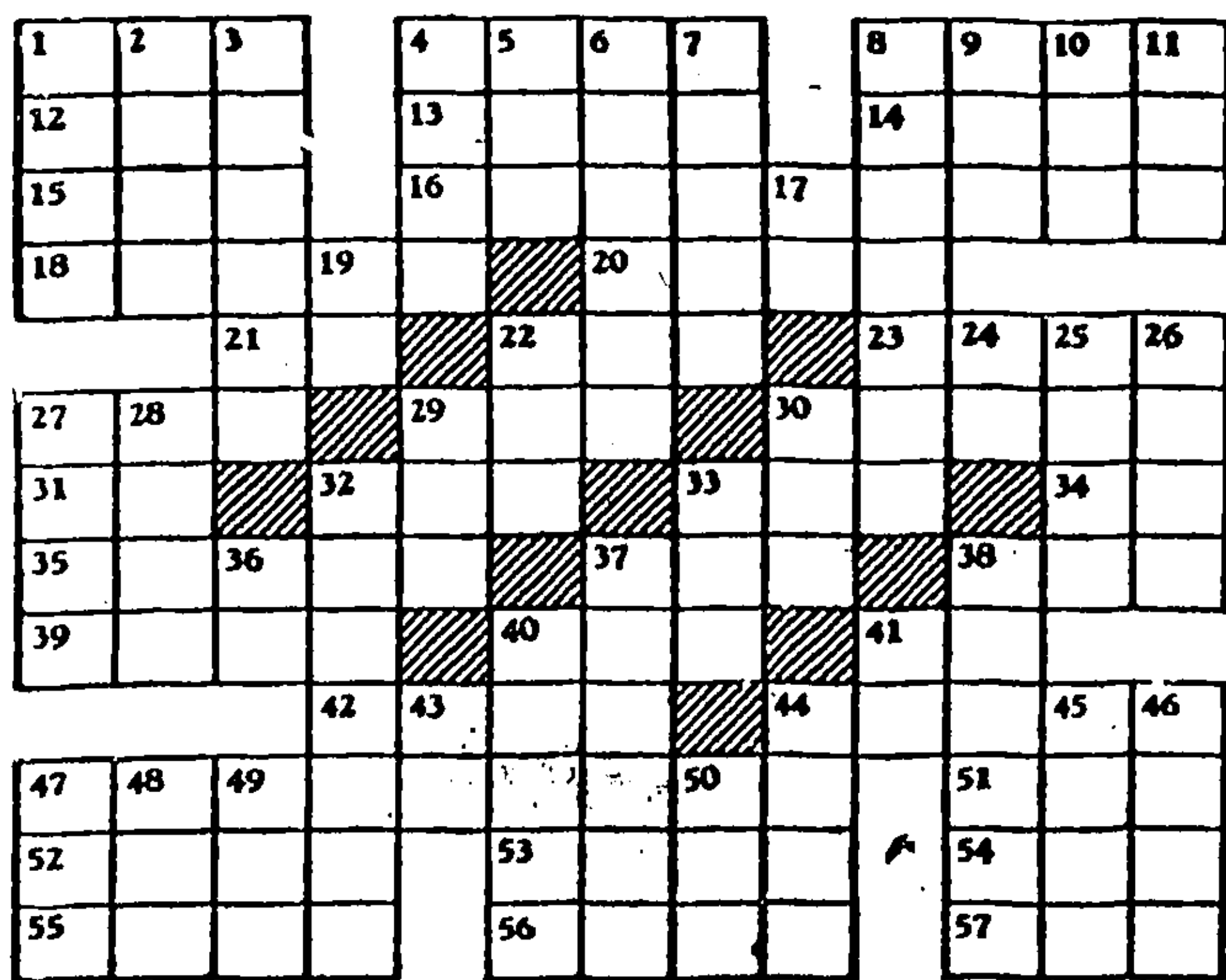
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"We believe," adds the journal, "that Thailand will become the powder keg of the Far East and that the fuse is being set. America and Britain should quickly offer armed aid to Thailand, and should not wait to confirm whether Japanese troops are concentrated on the Thai border."

"The situation is extremely critical, and no time should be lost. Britain and the United States must answer action with action. Only then may there be some hope of forestalling Japan's advances."

China, says the journal, is naturally greatly concerned over the situation in Thailand. There are two or three million Chinese there. If anything should happen to Thailand the future of overseas Chinese cannot be imagined. Besides, if Thailand is endangered, it is bound to affect Burma, and that in turn will affect the Burma Road. "For this reason," concludes the journal, "we hope Thailand will resist to the last and simultaneously we hope Britain and America will give practical support to Thailand to extricate her from her present dilemma. Britain and America could realise that the future of the anti-aggression front in the Far East rests with the fate of Thailand." — Central News.

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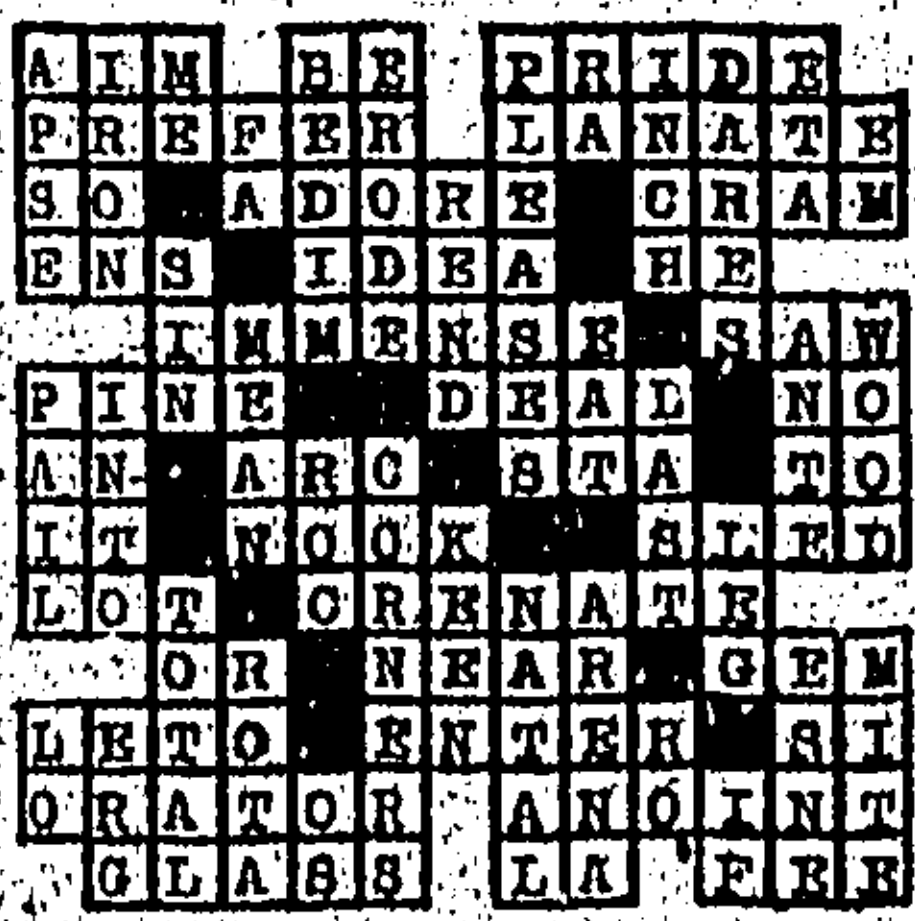
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- Thus
 - Steep slope
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 - Man's name
 - Equal
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 - Slice
 - Proposition
 - Mountain pass
 - Small quantity
 - Container
 - Sped
 - Former English sovereign
 - Preposition
 - Child
 - To become brown
 - French article
 - River in France
 - Falsehood
 - Barrier
 - African chief's dwelling
 - To tear
 - Artificial language

- Principle
- Sudden thrust
- Aboriginal
- Young goat
- Ireland
- Short jacket
- Mother of mankind
- Brother of Cain
- Mends
- Japanese coin

- VERTICAL**
- Hindu deity
 - Country in Asia
 - Frankness
 - Wagers
 - Greeting
 - English admiral
 - To toll
 - Semitic language
 - To allow
 - Residue

- Pigeon
- Colloquial: father
- Half an em
- Gossipy woman (coll.)
- Sacred Hindu word
- Web
- Egyptian alloy
- To cast off unfeelingly
- Coleus
- Fish eggs
- To poke
- To hamper
- Hint
- Pronoun
- Having definable limits
- Beast of burden
- Ceremonial acts
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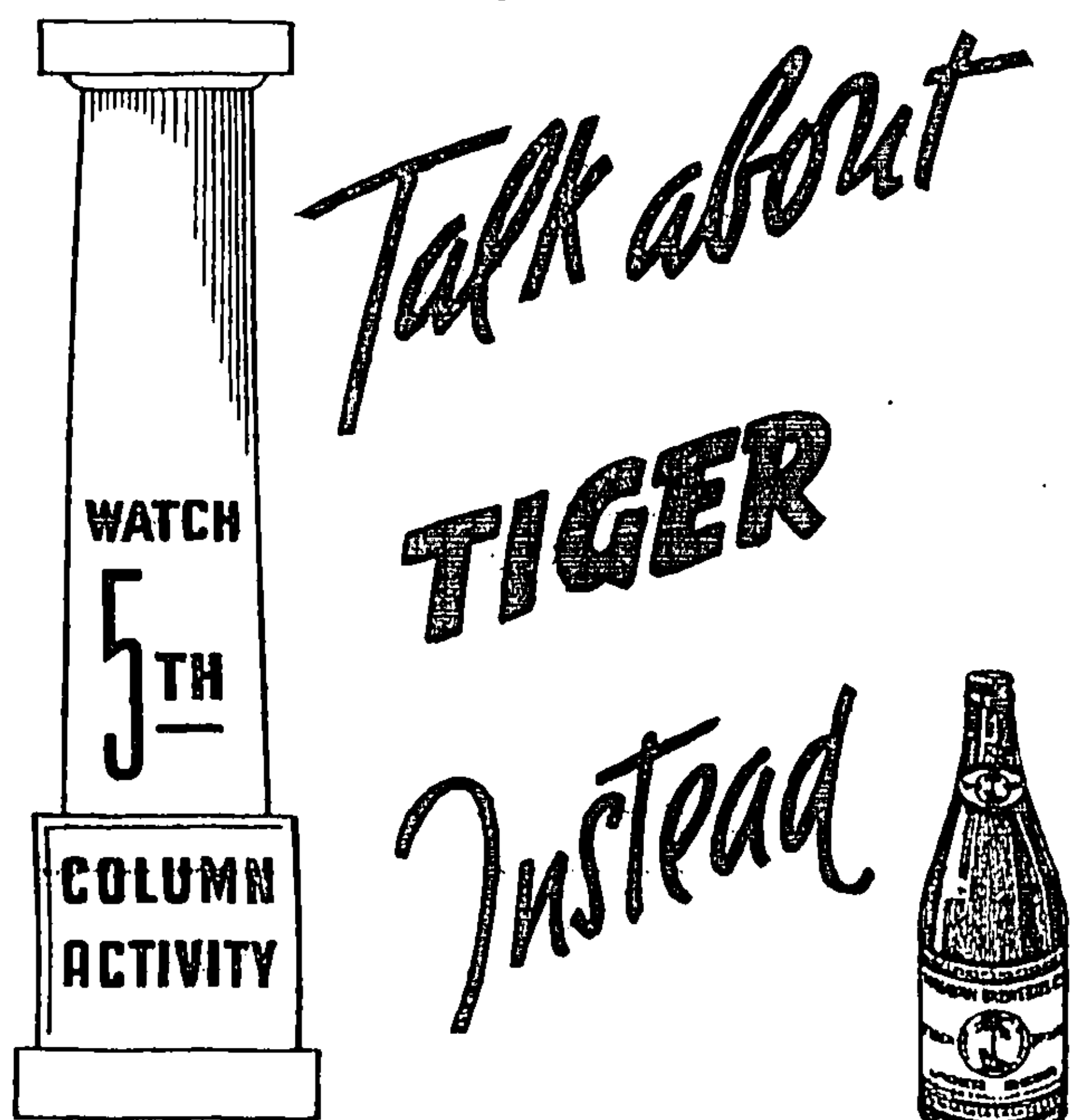
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NO DOUBT OF NAZI GENERAL'S SUICIDE

(By Reuter's Special Correspondent)

IS A BREAK in the Nazi front going to come in the Luftwaffe? That is the question which is on many lips in London. Rumours of dissension between Reichsmarshal Hermann Goering, air chief, and Herr Hitler have been too persistent to be ignored and have culminated in a report that the field-marshal has been replaced by 49-year-old Field Marshal Milch, who has the honour of having trained parachute troops who created such havoc in the invasion of Holland.

The mystery man of the week however is dashing General Ernst Udet who is said to have committed suicide while under arrest by the Gestapo. This news was published in the "Daily Telegraph" in London which claims that its New York office has documentary proof. Berlin denied it.

The Nazis did not do the obvious thing of allowing foreign correspondents to see the presumed suicide. Therefore official London not only believes the story but claims that it is all in keeping with the pattern of events which includes the flight of Herr Rudolf Hess to Scotland, the alleged disgrace of Marshal Goering and the developing crisis between Herr Hitler and the General Staff.

Dead or alive, General Udet will always remain one of the most fantastic figures in the motley gallery of personalities thrown up by the Nazis. He was an ace flyer in Baron Manfred von Richtofen's famous squadron in the last war. One day he found himself in a single combat with the brilliant French ace Guy Nemer. After several bursts of fire the German's machine-guns jammed and he thought the end had come. Nemer saw what had happened, he waved his hand and flew away with all the chivalry in the world.

"Flying Down"

When lean days came to Germany after the last war General Udet became a sort of flying clown. He used to put on a false beard, baggy trousers and a top hat and fly recklessly a few feet from the ground as if it were all an absurd joke. Then he became a flying "stunt merchant" in films and performed some breath-taking feats in the "White Hell of Pitz Palu."

Brains Behind Luftwaffe

When Herr Hitler came to power Marshal Goering took on the task of building the largest air force in history and General Udet was summoned as his chief assistant. The famous ace was still a young man not yet forty and he possessed amazing gifts of organisation.

In fact it was obvious that he was the brains behind the Luftwaffe while Marshal Goering collected medals and filled news reels. In 1937 he visited England where he received a cordial welcome from his old enemies. He paid many compliments to the British Air Force without appearing to be terrified by its size.

His final disgrace and presumably his death came over Russia. He said it was madness to expect the Luftwaffe to fight the Russian Air Force and then the R.A.F. As he proved to be right he was placed under arrest. Germany's bravest airman has paid for his courage in speaking his mind to the great Adolf Hitler.—Reuter.

DIVORCE FOR ACTRESS

Miss Tallulah Bankhead, the actress, has obtained a divorce at Reno from her husband, John Emery, on the grounds of mental cruelty.

SIR P. GAME'S ESCAPE

While touring London areas during a raid, Sir Philip Game, Commissioner of Metropolitan Police, had a narrow escape. Two bombs fell a short distance from his car.

GERMAN INTEREST IN ULSTER

German agents are believed to have been studying British Army manoeuvres in Northern Ireland, where the troops have been repelling a mock invasion.

Reports of the manoeuvres could be taken to the German Legation in Dublin without difficulty, and the German Minister receives diplomatic privileges for communicating private information to Berlin.

A senior officer said he was sure the German Legation knew everything about the troops and their dispositions in Ulster. There was no suggestion that Eire was a party to the German activity.

Lieutenant-General H. E. Franklyn, commanding the British forces in Northern Ireland, believes that ruthless discipline is essential to the Army if the British are to beat back the Germans, whose army must be taken as the only worth-while yard-stick of efficiency.

"The German army is experienced, self-confident, and well led," he said. "Its soldiers are hard, ruthless, and determined. They represent a tough proposition, and we have to be tough to take them on successfully."

"We must achieve the highest possible standard of discipline, otherwise faults in training reappear in tragic fidelity on the battlefield. Training must aim at physical fitness, alertness, and self-reliance. The offensive spirit and speed—physical and mental—are essential. We must encourage a suspicious people in the world. The rigid control imposed by out-dated formations cramps the initiative of the soldier."

ARMY TRAINING LINGUISTS

"I" MEN, THE INTELLIGENCE OFFICERS OF THE BRITISH ARMY, ARE TRAINED LINGUISTS. IN A RECENT EXERCISE IN THE SOUTHERN COMMAND A NUMBER OF THE BEST GERMAN-SPEAKING OFFICERS WERE INSTRUCTED TO ACT AS SPIES AND ENEMY AGENTS IN A MOCK INVASION.

Whenever one was captured the Intelligence officer at headquarters had to examine the man in German. No word of English was allowed to be used.

Though the "spies" used every wile to withhold information, the Intelligence officer gleaned valuable knowledge in every case.

Piecing together scraps of information from different prisoners, the Intelligence officer at divisional headquarters was able to make out a report which helped the corps commander to know the enemy plans and to defeat them.

INVISIBLE ANTI-TANK WEAPON REPORT

London newspapers make cautious reference to a secret weapon invented by a second lieutenant in the Royal Engineers, aged 24.

It is an anti-tank device, which is invisible to approaching tanks, and is said to have "devastating powers of destruction."

The "Daily Express" says: "The British Army may soon be equipped with the device. High officers believe that it may be a certain means of stopping Panzer (mechanised) troops. The device already has been used by the Army and Home Guard in one area."

EMIGRES BACK THE SOVIET

In a manifesto, issued by the Young Russian ("Mladorossi") Party in Shanghai, Mr. U. A. Stepanoff, leader of the party, calls upon Russians to throw aside all political controversies and to help their native land as much as possible in its struggle against Germany.

The party, although antagonistic toward the Soviet Government, will forsake its previous policy toward the present government in Russia as long as it defends the native soil.

The manifesto states that the "Mladorossi" have expected a German attack against Russia for a long time and that, although unable to take active part in the defence of Russia, they will in words, faith and thoughts belong only to their native land.

The party has always been guided by interest in Russia and her family of peoples and in this difficult moment, when Russian blood flows from the Arctic Ocean to the Black Sea, when the Russian people are resisting every and each German thrust into their country, the members of the party, who are sons of Russia, repeat once again that the place of each Russian is on the side of his nation that there can be no political controversies, and that Russians can and should give their lives only for their country.

FRENCH SAILORS FREED

A Vichy report states that the Germans have released six French Admirals and 4,000 sailors who have been war prisoners.

It is expected that 6,000 more will be released.

CABINET'S AIR RAID SHELTER

The British Cabinet has an air-raid shelter a hundred feet deep "somewhere below London," where it will meet when the occasion warrants. This is revealed in a trade magazine by a firm making a special carpet for the shelter.

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NIGHT IN THE INVADED LANDS

In the countries over-run by Hitler, held down by his soldiers and ruled by his Gestapo, the days are long and filled with problems of food, of livelihood, of continued existence under the conqueror. But it is the nights that are hardest. In the darkness cruel and deadly warfare still goes on. At night, especially toward morning, the Gestapo's spies carry out their house searches and lightning raids. At night Gestapo victims undergo examination and torture. At night men are taken to the concentration camps.

But night is also an ally of the oppressed in their increasing struggle against the oppressor, a warfare in which knives, sticks, even bare fists directed by wits sharpened by desperation are the only weapons available against machine-guns. In Belgium, Holland, Norway and the so-called Protectorates of Bohemia and Moravia, which once were the heart of the sturdy republic of Czechoslovakia, German soldiers no longer dare walk singly through the streets at night. Supply trains are stalled, or mysterious errors in signals send them into collision; factories are put out of business by unexplained failures in their lighting systems. At the Skoda armament works in Bohemia the Germans have been compelled to install an elaborate night watch with sentry posts and machine-guns.

The Czechs, who have endured centuries of Germanic rule, are especially adept in devising new methods of dealing with their Nazi rulers. It was the Czechs who invented the practice of painting huge capital V's at night on walls and fences to confront the foe next morning. This practice has spread to the other conquered territories. In France and Belgium V stands for "Victoire." In the Netherlands it is the initial letter of the Dutch word for freedom. In Czechoslovakia it stands for Vitezstvi, the Czech word for victory, and in Austria it becomes the tip of an arrow pointed against the ruling power and the initial letter of Verschwindet, a challenge to quit. The Gestapo orders out householders as watch parties to prevent its appearing and punishes the watchers if they fail, but again and again the "V" stares them in the face when daylight comes, as though ghostly hands had painted it. The hope of freedom will not down.



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The Security Zone

Though cartographers differ, and have always, whether all, a part or any of Iceland is properly in the "map" of the Western Hemisphere, Washington put the entire island into its defence book long ago. Iceland not only commands, it actually is, one of those "outposts" of the hemisphere to which the President has often alluded. Since Iceland in unfriendly hands would constitute a plain danger to the security of the Americas, and particularly to the Northern continent, there was never any military argument against putting it into the book.

Because of that, Iceland has been a part of the United States defence map ever since the administration began to base its policy on two points: "One, that a chance exists German can win the war in the Eastern Hemisphere; two, that in this event Germany plans to dominate the whole world. A military defence map undertakes to draw boundaries different to those of the cartographers if the plan of strategy requires it, and that is what has happened in this case.

The Western Hemisphere, as the State Department's geographer,

Mr. Boggs, informed Representative Rogers of Massachusetts last June, is a variable. The Northern and Southern hemispheres can be precisely divided, he wrote, because they are "exact concepts"—one-half the area of the earth with the North Pole at the centre and the Equator forming a perfect line of demarcation. They are "simple geometrical hemispheres," taking no account of the distribution of land and water. But cartographers, geographers and political scientists have never agreed on the precise limits of the Western Hemisphere because each group was dealing with different factors.

To Monroe the Western Hemisphere over which he flung his Doctrine was the New World as distinguished from old. Iceland, the Cape Verdes and Azores and probably even Greenland did not belong to his concept of its easterly reaches. But modern war has changed that. The President was falling in with the military viewpoint of his advisers, especially in the Navy, when in a recent message he referred to the Cape Verdes and Azores as bastions of the security of the Americas and when he officially recognised the independence of Iceland, from the Danish government held captive by the Nazis. It was a logical step, opened by the withdrawal of the British protectors of Iceland, for the President to occupy the island, guard the westerly channels to and from it and proclaim that one of the objectives of this action is to assure the continued independence of Iceland.

But the plan has been on paper so long, and the details to execute it have been rehearsed by the Navy so often, that the assumption is general here that the United States encouraged the British to withdraw as soon as this government was ready with its expeditionary force. The fact, related by Iceland's Premier, that the British Minister conducted the negotiations and voiced the President's attitude to the Premier ("he does not consider that he can take this course except at the invitation of the Iceland government"), is taken as proof the assumption is accurate. It seems clear we told the British they could freely remove their guards as soon as they had arranged for the invitation to the United States to replace them.

This is the only way the plan could have been carried out diplomatically. The other method—to occupy Iceland without previous request, however agreeable that might have been to the Icelandic authorities—probably smacked too much of imperialism to suit the administration. It would have given the Axis propagandists an opportunity to assail the United States as totalitarian in action and democratic only in speech.

The same procedure may not be followed if the administration decides to occupy other bastions of the hemisphere's security—the Cape Verdes, the Azores and the French possessions in the Atlantic. That will depend on the mood of the governments in which title to those islands is vested. If the necessity arises, the President will doubtless prefer invitations. But if these are not forthcoming, this passage indicates the United States will not wait for them. "As Commander-in-Chief I have consequently issued orders to the Navy that all necessary steps be taken to insure the safety of communications in the approaches between Iceland and the United States, as well as on the seas between the United States and all other strategic outposts."

This can, probably does, mean United States Naval escortage of ships with British supplies, at least as far as Iceland. It could mean escortage as far as the Azores and Cape Verdes, and occupation thereof. We are proceeding step by step from the lease-land act as the German threat grows and it is worth noting that the step which occupied Iceland was forecast to informed persons here at least four months ago.

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HOW U-BOATS WERE BEATEN IN 1914

IN THE LAST WAR the German U-boat came very near to defeating Britain and the Allies. The terrible toll of shipping taken by the submarines that slunk out of the Northern German ports makes only the more clear that Britain's desperate battle against the enemy submarines was the most prolonged and most decisive sea action in the world's history, wrote Ronald Walker and E. P. Montgomery in the "News Chronicle."

The story of Britain's defeat of the submarine in 1914-18 is one of supreme courage in the face of a situation which might well have engendered hopeless despair. The courage of the merchant sailors who took ships to sea knowing, during the black period, that they stood one chance in four of surviving, was magnificent.

There was also the fine daring of the Navy and the efforts of the technical experts at home to find new ways and means of hunting and destroying the submarine.

When Britain declared war on Germany on August 4, 1914, Germany had 33 submarines in commission and 28 building; but of those in commission 28 were long-range U-boats.

At that time the potentialities of the submarine were not realised, and in any case Britain did not believe that any nation would prowl the seas to sink ruthlessly unarmed merchant ships.

Lord Fisher, who had no illusions about the Germans, warned the nation that this was the very use to which the submarines would be put. But not until February 4, 1915, was he proved right, when the German Admiralty announced that enemy merchant ships in the waters around Great Britain would be destroyed.

Thus the German attempt to blockade Britain by submarine began.

Thousands of ships were moving in and out of British ports. At first Britain rested easily. The full power of the threatened blockade was not to be realised until 1917, for the first enemy attempt failed utterly. During the first fortnight of the blockade the Germans sank only 10 out of 2,855 ships sailing to and from British ports.

Sting Of The Mosquito Fleet

The Navy, the Mosquito Fleet, the first of the "Q" ships, apparently unarmed cargo or fishing boats with guns hidden behind trapdoor arrangements—and the use of steel nets which enmeshed the U-boat and revealed its presence by buoys which floated on the surface, contributed to a concerted counter-attack which broke the first German blockade from the start. In August of 1915 German sinkings reached a peak of 160,000 tons. In January, 1916, the score was only 30,000 tons. That month ended the first phase. Not until October, 1916, did the submarine begin to show its real power and to become a terrible menace.

Toward the end of 1916 the Germans resumed the submarine war. They had learned hard lessons during the first phase of the attack, and during the intervening period they had been building new vessels as fast as they could. It is estimated that they had been able to put into commission 200 long-range submarines. During their early operations they had found, as we had, that the large submarine could stay at sea for weeks and not just days; and that crews were able to stand the strain of long voyages.

They had learned also that the torpedo was an unnecessarily expensive weapon to use against the defenceless merchant ship. So the new submarines were fitted with guns. They also carried bombs which boarding parties could plant in the vitals of halted victims.

These ships, slipping out of Heligoland Bight, were able to avoid the perils of the Straits of Dover by going right around the British Isles to lurk along the Western Approaches in the North Atlantic.

From the moment when this formidable fleet came into action the sinkings of British, Allied and neutral shipping went up and up.

and up. In June of 1916 the combined losses totalled 90,000 tons. In October, 1916, they had mounted to 310,000 tons. April of 1917 was the blackest month, when 849,000 tons, representing 423 ships, were sunk. Three out of every four hips engaged on our business overseas fell victim to the torpedoes, the guns and the mines of the German U-boats. Britain was faced with disaster. Less than 6,000,000 tons of shipping were left for the sea traffic of Britain.

Allies On Brink Of Collapse

If the Germans could succeed in maintaining that rate of sinkings the collapse of Britain and France was inevitable. So the nation got down to the job of defeating the U-boat.

The methods developed included mines, depth charges, nets, sound detectors, submarines, "Q" ships and naval vessels of many types. At long last, in the summer of 1917, came the convoy, the method by which merchant ships steamed in groups, guarded by armed ships, instead of proceeding alone and unprotected.

The nets were improved and were also fitted with explosive charges. Great minefields were laid in the Channel, off the Belgian coast, in the Heligoland Bight and between the Orkneys and Norway. Ships were fitted with apparatus for detecting the presence of submarines beneath the surface which enabled ships to drop depth charges about the area. These underwater explosions were dreaded by the crews of the U-boats. They could, if close enough, sink or disable the submarine, and often drove it to the surface. Britain submarines themselves went out from our ports to hunt the German U-boats. Merchant ships were armed with guns.

Very effective was the "Q" ship, which worked an ingenious trick on the enemy. When attacked it pretended to be helpless. The crew would apparently take to the boats. When the surfaced submarine, tricked into false security, came close, trapdoors sprang open and the "Q" ship's guns blazed away. Because of its thin hull the submarine is very vulnerable to gun fire.

Most effective counter of all to the U-boat, however, was the convoy. Convoys were not introduced until the spring of 1917 after much argument in the Admiralty, and among the Government authorities. Those opposed to the scheme asserted that a group of ships might give the enemy the chance of wholesale sinkings in one attack. Those in favour pointed out that the convoy—the groups of ships together—made the task of the enemy more difficult, forcing the U-boat to seek out one target in the vast expanses of the ocean. Instead of being able to rely on sweeping the seas with the certainty of picking up single ships. Quite early in the war the convoy system had been used for the transport of troops and with considerable success.

Tide Of Battle Turns

The convoy system changed defeat into victory. Sinkings began to decrease. The submarines were obviously reluctant to surface and come within range of the guns of the ships guarding the convoys. And if their presence was dis-

GUILT OF NAZIS

Presiding at the annual meeting of the General Federation of Trade Unions at Llanudno (Wales), Mr. John Lee said: "Whatever is the result of the war, one thing stands out very clearly—that is, the eternal disgrace the Nazis have brought on the German people. The Germans will find the doors of civilisation and true culture closed against them until they realise the right of smaller nations to have free and unfettered control of their own lives."

BASES "VITAL TO BRITAIN"

Appeal To Eire

AN APPEAL FOR THE USE BY BRITAIN OF EIREANN NAVAL BASES IS MADE BY PROF. FRANCIS MCMAHON, PROFESSOR OF PHILOSOPHY AT NOTRE DAME UNIVERSITY, AND RECENTLY PRESIDENT OF THE AMERICAN CATHOLIC PHILOSOPHICAL ASSOCIATION. IN AN OPEN LETTER TO MR. DE VALERA, PUBLISHED IN CATHOLIC OPINION.

"England's cause to-day is the cause of America and of Eire," he writes. "England's ability to carry on depends on the effective delivery of food and munitions."

"What do we ask of the Irish people: merely the use of three naval bases, Cobh, Berehaven and Lough Swilly. It would be tragic if the great Battle of the Atlantic were to be lost because their use had been denied. You know how long Eire's freedom would last if Hitler conquered Britain."

"There can be no peace for Eire until the cancer of Nazism has been eradicated. It is unthinkable that she will fail humanity in this crisis."

covered, they were at once attacked with depth charges.

As a result of all these anti-submarine methods, the German U-boat losses mounted. They were driven from the Straits of Dover. The blocking of Zeebrugge made that important base unusable by the German destroyers and U-boats. Mine-laying by German submarines was dealt with so effectively that the number of British ships sunk by mine fell from 123 in 1917 to 10 in 1918.

The German submarine, which had been largely responsible for bringing America into the war, hunted remorselessly. Damaged U-boats crawled back home to Germany with terrible tales of perils they had survived more by luck than good management. Many never returned at all.

By the time that the German plan to defeat Britain and the Allies by sinking 600,000 tons of shipping a month should have been realised, the German U-boat campaign was definitely beaten; even though the enemy was able to replace losses and maintain a fleet of some 200 in commission. From December of 1917, when the shattering April total of 849,000 tons sunk had fallen to 355,000 tons, the sinkings rapidly declined and with them the German hope of winning the war by starving Britain.



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LORD HALIFAX'S GREAT WELCOME IN MIDDLE WEST

SUMMING UP his impressions after a successful tour of the Middle West, Viscount Halifax, British Ambassador to the United States, made the following statement:—

"Lady Halifax and I have been absolutely amazed at the friendliness and kindness with which we have been received wherever we went, in Chicago, Minneapolis and Kansas City, from people of every sort and kind."

Lord Halifax found heartening evidence of an immense reservoir of good will towards Britain during his tour.

Visits To Arms Works

During a crowded week the Ambassador not only made three major speeches, and was in constant touch with representatives of the American Press, but also visited aircraft and armament factories to see the efforts American industry is making to become the arsenal of democracy.

Typical of the enthusiasm which greeted the Ambassador was an amusing incident at Kansas City. As he was walking through the municipal garage, 21-year-old Miss June Challis pushed her way past the police, thrust a bunch of rosebuds into the Ambassador's arms and gave him a resounding kiss.

"That's the first time I have been kissed by a total stranger and it was a pleasant experience," declared the Ambassador, who asked for photographs of the incident "to send to friends."

In Kansas City the Ambassador and his wife, their official duties there ended, went to the cinema and took the members of their police escort with them.

Escorts Reversed

"You've been escorting us for two days," said Lady Halifax. "Now let us escort you." The film, "Meet John Dee," appropriately enough, was a denunciation of Fascism.

Officials were flustered at Kansas City town hall, when a negro lift-boy pressed the wrong button, sending the Ambassador and his party to the basement instead of the mayor's office. The mayor presented Lord Halifax with a cowboy's hat.

During his stay in that city Lord Halifax met 175 mayors who were holding a convention. "I've never seen so many mayors together. In England we would have to scrape the ground to find so many in the entire country," the Ambassador said.

Lord Halifax was extremely popular at all his Press conferences. In Minneapolis he was photographed with Edna Olsen, 16-year-old editress of a high school newspaper.

Chat With Workers

The Ambassador inspected the North American Aviation bomber plant at Fairfax, and said to a group of workmen there, "It's a grand job you're doing. Going over his 25-acre factory, Lord Halifax exclaimed as he entered one building, "It's big enough for

ESCAPE IN NAZI 'PLANE

A Swastika-marked plane circled over a field in England, and, as it prepared to land, with anti-aircraft guns covering the machine, two airmen waved white handkerchiefs and shouted, "We are French!"

That is how two 21-year-old demobilised French airmen reached England to fight for General de Gaulle. Their plane was stolen from a Nazi base in occupied France.

One of the Frenchmen said: "We had seen a small biplane in an airfield shed, and learnt that it was an officer's private plane. We determined to get it."

"Dressed in overalls one morning when it was foggy and raining, we decided to try our luck."

"While we were studying the plane a car carrying two German officers arrived on the field. We looked very busy with our heads buried in the engine. The car stopped for a few seconds and then went on. We tossed a two-franc piece to decide who should pilot the plane, and my companion won. The motor made a terrific noise."

"No sooner had we got the machine out than a car, with four German officers, stopped 50 yards away. My companion said: 'I'm afraid we're going to be shot.' The car resumed its journey across the field. We waited another minute and then hopped off."

"When we got to the English coast it was difficult, because of the weather, to find anywhere to land. It was an exciting minute when we landed, covered by anti-aircraft guns."

a baseball game." He asked one official, "When will you be producing 100 bombers a month?" and was told, "In something less than one year."

Other places visited were the Naval Reserve aviation base near Kansas City and Lake City ordnance plant.

NAZI AIRMAN KILLED WHILE ESCAPING

Lieutenant Mueller, a pilot of the Luftwaffe, who escaped from a prison camp in Ontario, was shot and killed while resisting recapture.

Mueller got away from the prison camp at about midnight after several previous attempts to escape.

Officials said that other prisoners had escaped from the same camp.

AUSTRALIA LEGATION IN CHINA

Mr. J. K. Waller will be senior member of the legation staff of Sir Frederic Eggleston, the Australian Minister to China, with the rank of second secretary.

Mr. Waller, who was educated at Scotch College, Melbourne, joined the Department of External Affairs in 1936, after graduating Master of Arts at Melbourne University. Since war began he has been the department's liaison officer with the Department of Information.

Mr. Charles Lee, an Australian-born Chinese, will be Oriental secretary with the rank of third secretary. He is a graduate of the University of Queensland, and was formerly with the Customs Department.

Another appointment is that of Mr. J. P. Quinn, of the Department of External Affairs, who will have the status of third secretary also. He is a graduate of Sydney University, and has visited France on a French travelling scholarship.

CHANNEL ISLANDS

One result of the R.A.F. offensive may be that the Germans will have to quit the Channel islands which they occupied last July after the fall of France.

The Germans' lines of supply and communication with both the Jersey and Guernsey Islands have been shattered by the continuous R.A.F. sweeps, which have battered aerodromes and docks along the French coast.

It is suggested that Britain may land paratroops to repossess the islands if she needs them as bases for the intensified air war.

The Channel Islands are the only part of the Empire taken by the Germans.

"NOTHING TOO FAST"

The British Ambassador to the United States, Lord Halifax, speaking at Richmond, Virginia, said that, although the United States was doing a remarkable job in producing weapons for Britain, nothing could be too fast. "Unless we go all out, we cannot pull through," said Lord Halifax.

WRITS AGAINST HOME SECRETARY

Sir Oswald Mosley, leader of the British Fascists, and Captain A. H. M. Ramsay, M.P., who have been held in prison under the defence regulations, have served writs against the Home Secretary, Mr. Herbert Morrison, claiming damages for detention.

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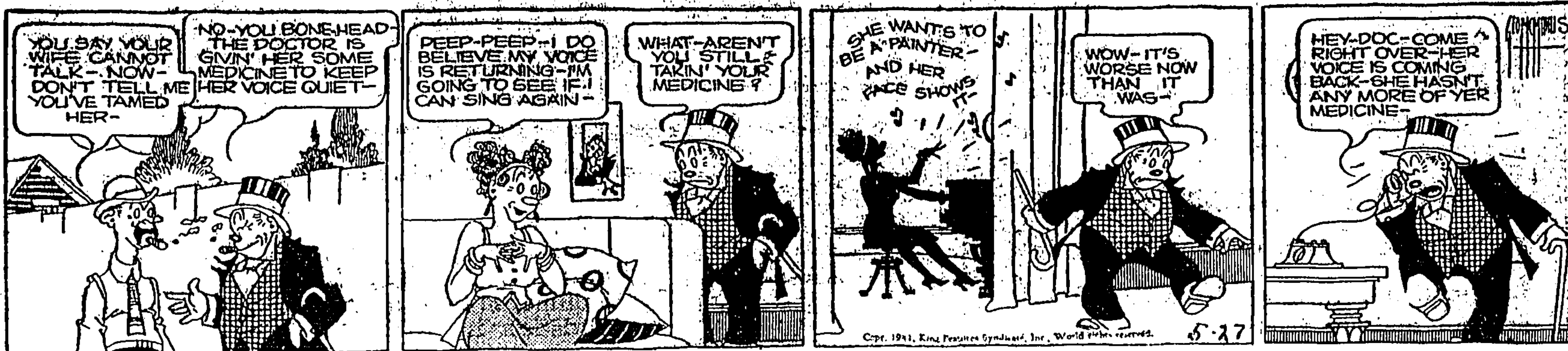
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A PAGE FOR WOMEN Eyes And Hands Add Years To Age

When a woman becomes middle-aged, or if she has been ill over a long period, she should diligently care for her eyes and hands to prevent signs of old age appearing. For it is a known fact that hands and eyes reveal one's age or lessened vitality more quickly than does one's skin or hair.

The clear sparkling eyes of youth depend upon cleanliness, lubrication and rest. The eyes accumulate a formidable amount of dust every day and should be carefully washed morning and evening. A soothing, gentle wash is to be preferred to the more astringent formulae, unless your eye physician prescribes one of the latter for you. These washes are easy to use as they come with a little eyecup which must be kept sanitary.

The tissues around the eyes are extremely delicate and sensitive and must be treated with special gentleness. Spread a fine film of a special eye cream or a reliable rich face cream around the eye with the cushions of your fingers — no pulling or rubbing. The technique is truly a fingerprint technique. Leave the lubricant on over night, remove in the morning with tissues, and splash cold salted water in your eyes if you prefer that to a prepared eyewash.

For a quick, refreshing treatment lie with moistened herbal pads over your eyes for a quarter of an hour, remove and wash eyes again.

For protection in the sun use a drop or two of herbal eye oil on your lids and wear clear-lense sun glasses or a hat with a wide brim.

Care Of Hands

Hands are neglected all too frequently with the result one sees very old hands on young looking women!

One of the best protections for hand beauty are heavy rubber, rough-fingered gloves which you may purchase in any drug store or five and dime store. These should be worn when washing dishes clothes, etc., and they also protect the hands when dusting or gardening.

A rich face or hand cream should be on every woman's beauty table and it should be used daily—not once a week, but every day. Apply the cream with pull-



Rita Hayworth attributes her eye and hand beauty to meticulous daily schedule. She is never too tired to go through her sensible beauty routine.

ing movements, similar to those used when you pull off a pair of tightly fitting gloves. Then massage each nail separately with thumb and first finger. Leave cream on over night if possible, beneath light, washable cotton gloves. If your hands are very dry, use a lotion just before going out or when you have taken your hands out of water. Such a lotion should be thin enough to be worked over the hands by rubbing them together, and removed easily with tissue—soap or water not being necessary. Blot the excess lotion off with the tissue or a small hand towel. The skin will be silky-soft and fair!

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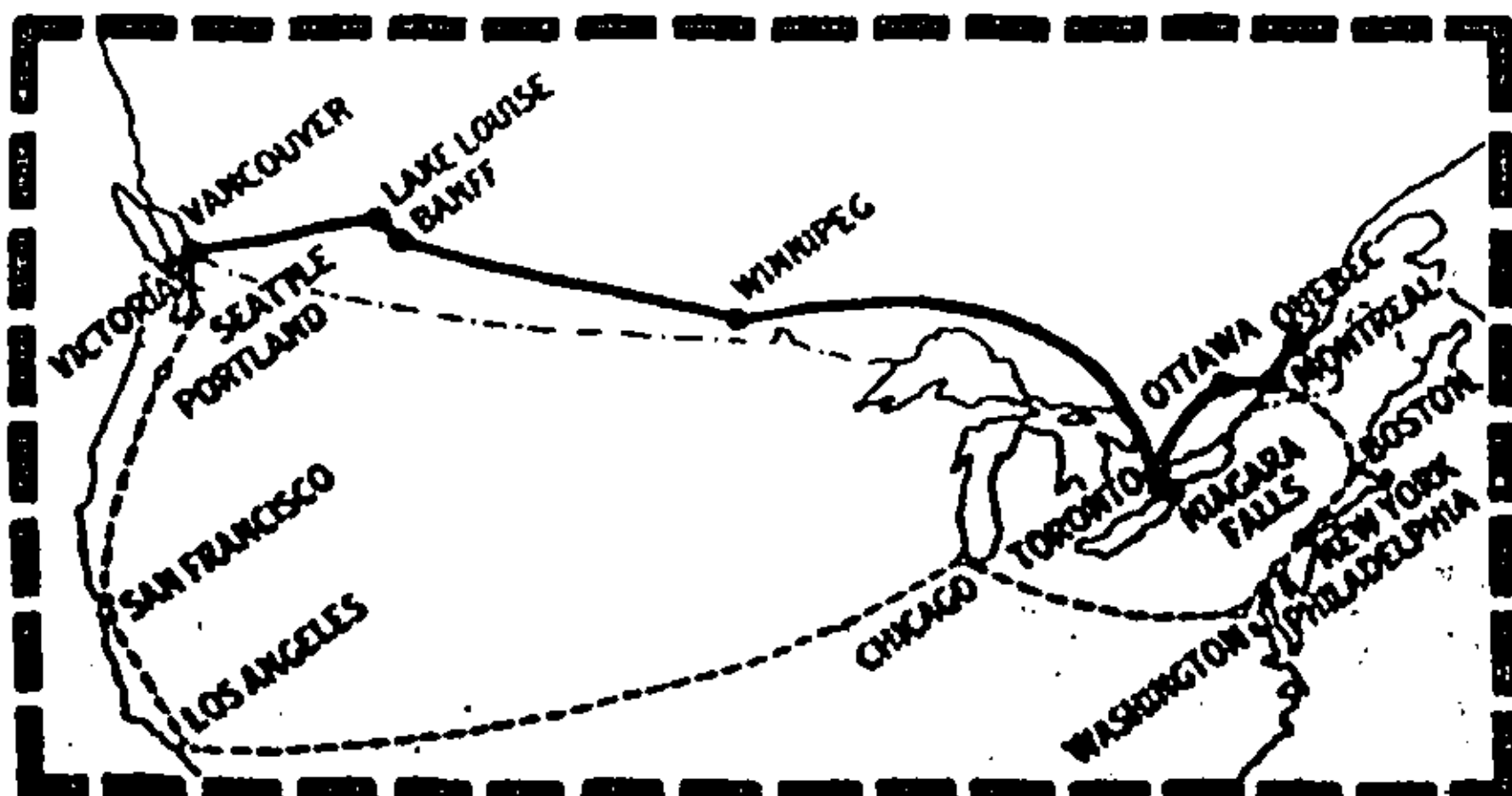
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12.15 p.m.—A Short Service of Intercession.

12.30 p.m.—Charlie Kunz (Piano) and The Six Swingers. Ida Sweet As Apple Cider—Slow Fox-Trot (Leonard); Nellie Dean—Quick-Step (Armstrong)...The Six Swingers.

Charlie Kunz Piano Medley, No. D. 41—Intro: I'll Never Smile Again. Until I Smile At You; I'm Stepping Out With A Memory To-night; The Breeze And I; Turn Your Money In Your Pocket; A Lover's Lullaby; Meet The Sun Half-Way...Charlie Kunz with Rhythm accomp. The Ghost of Smoky Joe—Blues; Floogie Walk—Fox-Trot (both from film "Cotton Club Parade")—Kochler & Bloom)...The Six Swingers. Waltzing With Waldeufel—Intro: The Skaters' Waltz; Estudantina; Dolores; Sirens; Acclamations; Espana; The Skaters' Waltz... Charlie Kunz with Rhythm accomp. Boogie Boogie—Fox-Trot (Henlers & Summers)...The Six Swingers.

1.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Programme Summary.

1.02 p.m.—Compositions of Grieg. To Spring... William Murdoch (Piano).

Un Reve (A Dream)...Benjamin Gigh (Tenor) with The State Opera Orchestra.

Holberg Suite—Op. 40: Prelude & Sarabande—Gavotte—Air—Rigaudon...London String Orchestra cond. by Walter Goehr.

Solveig's Song ("Peer Gynt")... Mavis Bennett (Soprano) with Piano. I Love You... De Groot & his Orch.

1.30 p.m.—Reuter & Rugby Press and Announcements.

1.45 p.m.—New Variety.

Vocal—Missouri Waltz... Bing Crosby with J. Trotter's Orchestra. Guitar & Organ—Aloha Oe... Andy Iona (Steel Guitar) with Eddie Dunstetter (Organ).

Vocal—Number Ten Lullaby Lane (Warren—Bob Carlton); For All Time (from "Many A Slip"—H. M. Hughes)... Dinah Shore with Orch. Trio—Autumn Serenade (Reg. Morgan); All The Things You Are (Jerome Kern)...Albert Sandier Trio. Talking—Portrait of A Londoner (The Charwoman)...by Emlyn Williams.

2.15 p.m.—Close down.

6.00 p.m.—Indian Programme.

6.45 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quotations.

9.47 p.m.—Mendelssohn—Octet in E Flat Major, Op. 20.

1st Mov: Allegro moderato ma con fuoco; 2nd Mov: Andante; 3rd Mov: Scherzo—Allegro leggierissimo; 4th Mov: Presto...International String Octet.

7.18 p.m.—Song Recital by Walter Glynn (Tenor) and Eva Turner (Soprano).

The Valley Where Wishes Come True (Eatherley-Elliott); I'll Walk Beside You (Lockton-Alan Murray)... Walter Glynn with Piano.

"Il Trovatore"—D'Amor Sull' All Rosce (Verdi); "Aida"—O Patria Mia (Verdi)...Eva Turner with Orchestra.

Old Rustic Bridge By The Mill (Skelly)...Walter Glynn with Organ & Male Chorus.

7.38 p.m.—George Boulanger and His Orchestra.

Love's Loneliness—Tango (Bochmann); Nora—Tango (Boulanger); Hungarian March Potpourri (J. Pesti-Prichystal); When I Am Happy—Valse (Boulanger); Dream Serenade (Boulanger, arr. Satow); Keep Young!—Polka (Boulanger).

8.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News.

8.15 p.m.—London Relay—War Commentary.

8.25 p.m.—London Relay—"Listening Post". Examination of Points in Daily German Propaganda.

9.30 p.m.—London—Special Broadcasts to British Forces in The Far East.

9.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Announcements and Programme Summary.

9.02 p.m.—Studio—Jazz-Piano Recital by Hal Lorenzo.

1. Improvisation.

2. Danny Boy.

3. Hits from "Down Argentine Way".

4. Medley—Intro: (a) Blue Orchids; (b) Maybe; (c) Our Love Affair.

5. Medley—Intro: (a) Ma He's Making Eyes At Me; (b) I Cried For You; (c) Sweet Sue.

9.30 p.m.—Vocal Duets by Al Bowly and Jimmy Mesene.

Only For Ever (from film "Rhythm on the River"—Burke); The Ferry Boat Serenade (Adamson-Di Lazaro); I'm Stepping Out With A Memory To-night (Magidson-Wrubel); I Haven't Time To Be A Millionaire (Burke-Monaco); Turn Your Money In Four Pocket (Brown); I'll Never Smile Again (Lowe); We'll Go Smiling Along (Patt-Davies).

9.45-10.00 p.m.—News in French (on Short Wave only).

9.45 p.m.—Reginald Dixon at the Organ.

Irish Medley—Intro: Rakes Of Morrow; Mother Machree; When Irish Eyes Are Smiling; A Little Bit Of Heaven; Carry Owen; Irish Washerwoman; Peggy O'Neill; Rose of Tralee; Killarney; St. Patrick's Day.

Down The Mall (Belton).

Chorus Gentlemen, Please—Medley.

10.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News and News Commentary.

10.15 p.m.—Local Sports Results.

10.18 p.m.—Dance Music.

11.15 p.m.—London—"Old Mother Riley Takes The Air".

12.00 midnight—Close down.

GREYNA CHASE RECALLED

An enormous quantity of rich old silver, left by the late Sir Lionel Faudel-Phillips, is to be sold, by Christie's in their temporary quarters at Derby House.

There must be quite 20,000oz. of varied English and foreign treasures, inherited chiefly from Lord Pirbright, whose second wife was the daughter of Sir Benjamin Samuel Phillips.

A noble ewer and basin, by Daniel Smith and Robert Sharp, 1783, bear the arms of Westmoreland and Child, thereby recalling that, in the previous year, John Fane, the 10th Earl, eloped to Greytna Green with Sarah, heiress of the famous 18th century banker, Robert Child.

The pair would have been overtaken if the banker's coach had not been ditched in the hot pursuit. Child disinherited his daughter yet relented by leaving his huge fortune to the daughter of this Greytna Green marriage. She succeeded to the Osterley Park estate and married the 5th Earl of Jersey.

The 10th Earl of Westmoreland, was as thin as a lath, but gained renown at the Scavoir Vivre Club, as Boodle's used to be called, by eating a roast fowl and a leg of mutton at one sitting. He lived until he was 82, and, by his two marriages, became the father of 10 children.

CANDIDATE IN BATTLE-DRESS

Gunner Robert Cooney, Communist candidate in the Greenock by-election for the House of Commons, opened his campaign wearing battle-dress.

LADY LONSDALE DEAD

The Countess of Lonsdale, wife of the fifth Earl of Lonsdale, whom she married 63 years ago, died at her home, the Stud House, Barley Thorpe, Oakham, in her 88th year.

Lord Lonsdale, who is 84, is the well-known sporting peer and donor of the Lonsdale belt, one of the most prized trophies in boxing. Before her marriage Lady Lonsdale was Lady Grace Cecil Gordon, daughter of the 10th Marquess of Huntly, who was known as Cock of the North.

The Hon. Mildred Lowther, a niece of Lady Lowther, said her aunt had been ill for about three weeks. "Lord Lonsdale and Lady Ethel Wickham, her sister, have never left her side since her illness began," she continued.

The "Yellow Earl"

"She loved Newmarket and never missed a race meeting there, especially on the July course, when she was so happy strolling in the beechwoods. Her friends will always remember her in the great days of 'the yellow earl' when he drove in state in the famous yellow barouche with his countess beside him."

"A very beloved woman, the flower of everything that was fine and noble in English womanhood, has gone."

Lord and Lady Lonsdale kept up not only the old state of the old nobility, but the old simplicity as well. When they dined alone at Lowther Castle, their seat at Penrith, Cumberland, which they gave up in 1937, Lord Lonsdale would rise at the end of dinner, glass in hand, and toast "The King." They would drink it together.

Then he would bow to his Countess, hold the glass high, and toast "The Ladies." He would sit down and Lady Lonsdale, rising and bowing, would hold her glass to him, and say simply, "The Gentlemen."

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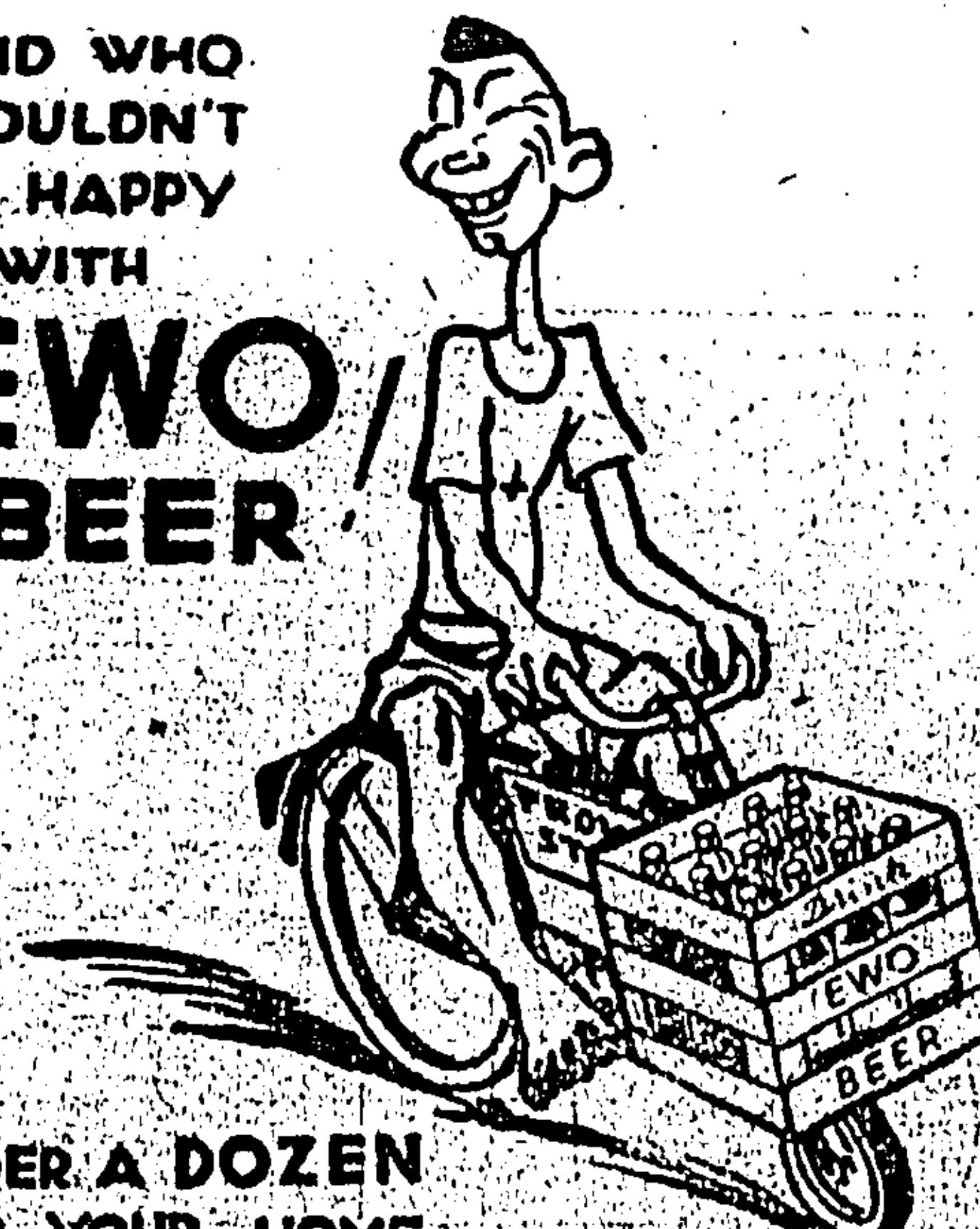
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Friday, 8th August, 1941.

1. RECRUITS' MEDICAL EXAMINATION

There will be no Recruits' Medical Examination on Fri. 15th August. The Medical Board will assemble as ordered.

2. DETAIL

Corps Orderly N.C.O. H.Q. 5.25 p.m. each day.

Mon. 11th Aug. to be detailed by O.C. No. 4 Company.

Tues. 12th Aug. to be detailed by O.C. 3rd Battery.

Wed. 13th Aug. to be detailed by O.C. 5th Battery.

Thurs. 14th Aug. to be detailed by O.C. No. 7 Company.

Fri. 15th Aug. to be detailed by O.C. No. 5 Company.

3. VISIT OF H.E. THE GOVERNOR

H.E. the Governor will visit Volunteer H.Q. on Friday 15th at 6 p.m. A programme has already been issued to all concerned.

Dress for Presentation Parade—Those detailed and all available Officers, W.O's and Sgts.

Officers—S.D. caps, jackets, trousers and belts.

O.R.s.—S.D. caps, jackets, trousers, web belts.

4. EFFICIENCY CUP

The Commandant has pleasure in awarding the Corps Efficiency Cup for the year 1940/41 to Corps Signals.

5. APPOINTMENTS

Extracts from Government Gazette No. 47 dated 18.41.

(a) "No. 900—His Majesty the King has been graciously pleased to approve the following appointment in the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire (Military Division):—

To be an ordinary member of the Fourth Class or Officer (Military Division):—

Lieutenant-Colonel REGINALD DAVID WALKER, M.C. 31st July, 1941."

(b) "No. 902—His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to approve the following promotions in the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps, with effect from 23rd July, 1941:—

To be Second Lieutenants, Bombardier ALEC MICHAEL JOHN WRIGHT, Private PORPHYRIO MARIA NOLASCO DA SILVA.—31st July, 1941."

6. LECTURES

Mon. 11th Aug. 5.45 p.m. No. 1 Lecture Room. Officers of the following units to attend. Lecture by the Adjutant.

Corps Art. Mob. Coln. No. 2 Coy., No. 6 Coy., A.S.C. Coy. and Fd. Amb.

Tues. 12th Aug. 5.45 p.m. No. 1 Lecture Room. Officers of the following units to attend. Lecture by Major V. C. Branson, M.B.E., M.C.

Field Coy. Engrs., Corps Sign., Nos. 1, 3, 4 & 5 Coys. and Pay Sec.

7. PARADES

(a) CORPS ARTILLERY

i. Correction Reference Corps Orders No. 41/41.

Special Course—Lamp Attendants.

For "L/Bdr. J. A. V. Hart-Davis," read "Gnr. C. Arnulphy."

"Gnr. V. G. H. Lipton," read "Gnr. V. G. H. Upton."

ii. Specialist Course—Engine Attendant

The following has been passed as Class I Engine Attendant.

Bdr. A. Smith, 4th Battery.

iii. Classes Of Instruction, Lectures &c.

Mon. 11th Aug. 5.30 p.m. H.Q. C. A. Signalling Class, Squad "A."

Mon. 11th Aug. 5.30 p.m. H.Q. Dress—Overalls, belt, frog, rifle sling and S.D. cap. Recruits' Class under C.A.S.M. J. M. Jack.

Wed. 13th Aug. 5.30 p.m. H.Q. C. A. Signalling Class, Squad "B."

Recruits' Class Under C.A.S.M. J. M. Jack. Dress as above.

Wed. 13th Aug. 5.45 p.m. No. 1 Lecture Room. All Officers and N.C.O's. to attend. Lecture by Lt. Col. F. D. Field, M.C.

iv. 1st Battery

Tues. 12th Aug. 2 p.m. H.Q. Advance Party. 2.30 p.m. H.Q. All Secs. Dress—Muf. Kit inspection.

Thurs. 14th Aug. 5.30 p.m. H.Q. All Secs. Dress—Muf. Kit inspection.

Thurs. 14th Aug. 5.45 p.m. H.Q. D. E. L. Sec. Dress—Muf. L.G. training.

Orderly Sergt. for 10-16th Aug.—Bdr. Dodds.

v. 2nd Battery

Mon. 11th Aug. 5.30 p.m. H.Q. All concerned. Dress—Muf. To draw extra pair of shorts. For all those who have not yet done so.

Wed. 13th Aug. 5.30 p.m. Scandal Point. L. Sec. Layers. Dress—Muf. overalls and S.D. caps to be carried. Revision.

Thurs. 14th Aug. 2.15 p.m. H.Q. R. Sec. D.E.L. and B.O.P. Stores

Party. 2.45 p.m. H.Q. Remainder.

Half-day training at Bluff Head. Dress as laid down for half-day training.

Fri. 15th Aug. 5.30 p.m. C.A.S.L. School. S.L. and engine personnel.

Dress—Muf. overalls and S.D. caps to be carried. Engine instruction.

Fri. 15th Aug. 5.30 p.m. H.Q. Those detailed. Dress—shirt, shorts, puttees, boots, S.D. caps, Deb belt. Overalls to be carried.

Instruction on engines.

Fri. 15th Aug. H.Q. 6 p.m. Those detailed. Dress as in para. 3. Presentation Parade by H.E. the Governor.

APPOINTMENT

Sgt. T. W. Carr to perform duties of B.Q.M.S. w.e.f. 8.8.41.

vi. 3rd Battery

Tuesday, 12th Aug. 5.30 p.m. H.Q. All members. Dress—Muf. Fitting of gas masks and gas chamber.

Fri. 15th Aug. (i) Times as ordered. H.Q. All members. Dress—Fighting order (jackets) less shorts plus trousers. Spare kit to be carried in kit bags. Week-end camp. (ii) Those detailed. 1 N.C.O. and 6 men. Advance party. 5 p.m. H.Q. Dress—Same as above.

vii. 4th Battery

Tues. 12th Aug. 2.45 p.m. H.Q. All Secs. Dress as detailed. Rifle slings to be brought. Training at Pakshawan.

Wed. 13th Aug. 5.30 p.m. H.Q. Sec. as detailed. Dress—Muf. Changing kit and equipment.

Thurs. 14th Aug. 5.30 p.m. H.Q. B. C. Staff and signals. Dress—S.D. cap and overalls. Rifle and squad drill.

Thurs. 14th Aug. 6.15 p.m. H.Q. Sec. as detailed. Dress—Muf. B.C.A. Class.

viii. 5th A.A. Battery

Tues. 12th Aug. 2.30 p.m. H.Q. No. 1 Sec. Dress—As detailed. ½ day training at Salwan.

Wed. 13th Aug. 5.30 p.m. H.Q. Nos. 1 and 2 Secs. Dress—Muf. i. Lecture.

Fri. 15th Aug. Times as ordered. H.Q. Nos. 1 & 2 Secs. Dress—Fighting Order (jackets) less shorts plus trousers. Week-end training.

(b) FIELD COMPANY

ENGINEERS

Mon. 11th Aug. 5.30 p.m. K.C.R. Coy. parade. Dress—Muf. Training under section officers.

Thurs. 14th Aug. K.C.R. 2 p.m. Working party from No. 2 Sec. as detailed. Dress—Helmets, shirts, shorts, hosetops, boots & puttees. Remainder. 2.30 p.m. Tech. training under Sec. arrangements.

(c) CORPS SIGNALS

Mon. 11th Aug. 5.15 p.m. H.Q. Dress—Muf. (i) Training Cadre and Recruits. Lecture No. 8 (ii) No. 3 Detach. return stores. (iii) W/T Sec. as detailed. (iv) Remainder. Signal training as detailed.

Wed. 13th Aug. 2 p.m. Hung Hom. Mainland Sec. Dress—Summer Batel Order. Training as detailed. Remainder. 2 p.m. H.Q. Dress as above. ½ day training.

Fri. 15th Aug. 2 p.m. H.Q. Dress as detailed in these orders. Presentation parade by H.E. the Governor.

(d) MOBILE COLUMN

Mon. 11th Aug. 5.30 p.m. Hung Hom. Those detailed. Dress—Overalls. Driving instruction.

Wed. 13th Aug. 2.15 p.m. Hung Hom. All Pls. Dress—Fighting order, shirt sleeves and helmets. Exercise in N.T.

Wed. 13th Aug. 1.45 p.m. Hung Hom. No. 1 Sec. No. 1 Pln. Dress—Fighting order, shirt sleeves, helmets, vehicle and store party.

Fri. 15th Aug. 5.30 p.m. H.Q. Nos. 1 and 2 (A/C) Secs. and No. 3 Pln. Dress as previously detailed. Gas chamber and exam. papers. Nos. 1 and 2 Plns. Dress as above. Gas chamber and Sec. drill.

S.B.R.s. and haversacks will be drawn under Cpl. Cairns.

Administration

2/Lt. F. Brett resumes the duties of Transport Officer w.e.f. 8.8.41.

(e) NO. 1 COMPANY

Mon. 11th Aug. 2.30 p.m. Star Ferry, Kowloon. Those detailed. Dress as ordered. T.E.W.T.

Mon. 11th Aug. 2.30 p.m. H.Q. Remainder of Coy. Dress as ordered. Weapon training.

Tues. 12th Aug. 5.45 p.m. H.Q. Officers. Dress—Muf. Lecture.

Tues. 12th Aug. 5.30 p.m. H.Q. N.C.O's. Dress—Muf. Bayonet fighting.

Fri. 15th Aug. 5.30 p.m. H.Q. Coy. parade. Dress—Muf. Weapon training.

(f) NO. 2 COMPANY

Wed. 13th Aug. 5.30 p.m. H.Q. No. 7 Pln. Dress—Muf. M.G. and L.G. training.

Wed. 13th Aug. 5.30 p.m. H.Q. No. 6 Pln. Dress—Muf. S.B.R. fitting and gas chamber.

Fri. 15th Aug. 2 p.m. H.Q. Coy. parade. Dress—Battle Order. ½ day training.

(g) NO. 3 COMPANY

Mon. 11th Aug. No parade.

Thurs. 14th Aug. 5.30 p.m. H.Q. Dress as usual. Coy. training.

Fri. 15th Aug. 6 p.m. H.Q. Those detailed. See details in para. 3 of these Orders above.

(h) NO. 4 COMPANY

Mon. 11th Aug. 5.30 p.m. H.Q. Coy. parade. Dress—Muf. Kit inspection, every article of kit and clothing to be brought.

Wed. 13th Aug. 2 p.m. H.Q. Coy. parade. Dress—Fighting Orders—Helmets. ½ day training.

(i) NO. 5 COMPANY

Mon. 11th Aug. 2.15 p.m. H.Q. Whole Coy. except those detailed for T.E.W.T. Dress—Shorts, shirt, helmet, web equipment, puttees, hosetops, boots. Training as per Coy. Circular. Those detailed for T.E.W.T. will fall in at Kln. Rly. Stat. at 2 p.m.

Fri. 15th Aug. 5.30 p.m. H.Q. Whole Coy. Training as per Coy. circular.

(j) NO. 6 COMPANY

Tues. 12th Aug. 5.30 p.m. H.Q. 21 Pln. Dress—Muf. Semaphore and message writing. No. 22 Pln. Elementary 1st Aid.

Fri. 15th Aug. 2.15 p.m. H.Q. Those detailed by C.S.M. Dress—Boots, puttees, hosetops, shirts, shorts, S.D. caps, rifle slings, web equipment and sun helmet slung over left shoulder. T.E.W.T. Remainder of Coy. Dress same as above. L.G. training (Ground) Lessons 1 to 8. Revision.

(k) NO. 7 COMPANY

Mon. 11th Aug. 5.45 p.m. H.Q. L.G. Nos. 1 and 2. Dress—Overall and belts. Pistol instruction. Those detailed. Overalls. Thompson, Sub M.G. Remainder. Overalls. Bayonet training.

Fri. 15th Aug. 2.30 p.m. H.Q. No. 25 Pln. Offrs. and N.C.O's. Instruction under Liaison Officer. Remainder. (i) L.G. training. T.O.E.T. and I.A. (ii) Grenade training. (iii) Bayonet training. (iv) S. and A. drill. Those detailed. Thompson Sub: M.G.

(l) ARMY SERVICE CORPS COMPANY

Mon. to Sun. 11-17/8/41. Transport and Supply duties daily as detailed. Dress as before. Duty officers as detailed.

Tues. 12th Aug. 5.30 p.m. St. John's Place. Whole Coy. Dress—Muf. Gas Lecture.

Fri. 15th Aug. 5.20 p.m. Murray Parade Ground. Those detailed. Dress—Overalls and S.D. caps. Motor cycling instruction.

(m) FIELD AMBULANCE

Tues. 12th Aug. 5.30 p.m. H.Q. Whole Unit. Dress—Muf. Unit training.

Wed. 13th Aug. 2.30 p.m. H.Q. Whole Unit. Dress—Fighting Order, shirt sleeves, summer, less steel helmet. Trousers to be carried in haversack. Field training.

Fri. 15th Aug. 5.30 p.m. H.Q. Those detailed. Dress—Review order, summer. Promotion Class.

(n) PAY SECTION

Tues. 12th Aug. 5.30 p.m. Vol. H.Q. All Ranks. Dress—Muf. Weapon training.

Thurs. 14th Aug. 8.30 a.m. Comd. H.Q. No. 1 Sub-Sec. Dress—Uniform. Pay duties.

Thurs. 14th Aug. 5.30 p.m. Vol. H.Q. All ranks. Dress—Muf. Weapon training.

Fri. 15th Aug. 8.30 a.m. Comd. H.Q. No. 2 Sub-Sec. Uniform. Pay duties.

Fri. 15th Aug. 8.30 a.m. No. 1 Lecture Room. S.Q.M.S. F. C. Young. Sgt. Clark, Cpl. Brown, Ptes. Foy, Minnot and Catherley. Orderly Sgt. for week—Sgt. W. M. Thomson.

Next for duty—Sgt. W. H. B. Muskett.

(o) FORTRESS SIGNAL COMPANY

Wed. 13th Aug. 2 p.m. Exchange Building. Dress—Muf. Manning survey.

8. CORPS ORDERS

AMENDMENTS

Corps Orders. No. 41/41 dated 1.8.41 para. 12. LEAVE. Delete "No. 3592 Pte. D. V. Lopes, No. 6 Coy. 29.7.41-11.8.41."

9. TRANSFERS

Pte. H. W. C. Milner, from Mob. Col. Res. to Corps H.Q. Res. 1.8.41.

2/Lt. A. M. J. Wright, from 2nd Bty. to 3rd Bty. 23.7.41.

Pte. W. R. Hobbin, from No. 1 Coy. to 5th A.A. Bty., No. 3 Sec. 8.8.41.

Pte. P. J. Brown, from Mob. Coln. to A.S.C. Coy. 8.8.41.

Pte. C. Brown, from Mob. Coln. to A.S.C. Coy. 8.8.41.

Pte. J. D. Minhinnett, from Mob. Coln. to A.S.C. Coy. 8.8.41.

Pte. F. J. Jorge, from Mob. Coln. to A.S.C. Coy. 8.8.41.

Pte. H. L. Fox, from Mob. Coln. to No. 1 Coy. 8.8.41.

L/Cpl. J. E. Jessop, from Mob. Coln. to No. 1 Coy. 8.8.41.

Pte. H. J. Woolley, from Mob. Coln. to No. 1 Coy. 8.8.41.

Pte. A. Komorsky, from Mob. Coln. to No. 1 Coy. 8.8.41.

Pte. W. C. Gilmore, from No. 1 Coy. to Mob. Coln. 8.8.41.

1 Coy. to Mob. Coln. 8.8.41.

Pte. D. B. Nelson, from No. 1 Coy. to Mob. Coln. 8.8.41.

Pte. J. A. van M. van Heuven, from No. 1 Coy. to Mob. Coln. 8.8.41.

Pte. R. J. Egan, from No. 1 Coy. to Mob. Coln. 8.8.41.

Pte. F. Haynes, from A.S.C. Coy. to Mob. Coln. 8.8.41.

Pte. R. J. Wilkinson from A.S.C. Coy. to Mob. Coln. 8.8.41.

Pte. J. M. Ford, from A.S.C. Coy. to Mob. Coln. 8.8.41.

Pte. F. A. Rapp, from A.S.C. Coy. to Mob. Coln. 8.8.41.

10. APPOINTMENTS & PROMOTIONS

L/Cpl. Gill Singh, Fd. Amb. to be Pte. 8.8.41.

Cpl. J. E. Jessop, Mob. Col. to be L/Cpl. 8.8.41.

Gnr. E. P. Streatfield, 2nd Bty. to be L/Bdr. 8.8.41.

Cpl. T. Seddon, No. 1 Coy. to be Sgt. 8.8.41.

Cpl. J. P. Murphy, No. 1 Coy. to be Sgt. 8.8.41.

L/Cpl. F. M. Thompson, No. 1 Coy. to be Cpl. 8.8.41.

L/Cpl. J. M. Houghton, No. 1 Coy. to be Cpl. 8.8.41.

The following leave has been cancelled:—

3887 Sgt. S. J. Cooke No. 4 Coy. 27.7.41-28. 8.41.

11. STRENGTH-INCREASE

Pte. G. C. Lee, A.S.C. Coy. 5.8.41.

Pte. J. G. Beukers, No. 1 Coy. 6.8.41.

Pte. F. A. Engelbrecht, Mob. Coln. 6.8.41.

12. STRENGTH-DECREASE

Pte. A. V. Ozorio, Fd. Amb. 22.3.41.

Gnr. M. Tye, 5th A.A. Bty. 17.6.41.

E. N. THURSBY,

Captain,

Adjutant, H.K.V.D. Corps.

AFFILIATED UNIT

Nursing Detachment, H.K.V.D.C.

1. LECTURE

Fri. 15th Aug. 5.30 p.m. St. John's Cathedral Hall. All Ranks. Dress—Outdoor uniform. First Aid lecture.

2. LEAVE

Miss S. A. V. Reeve 3.8.41-2.12.41.

Mrs. S. Deacon 7.8.41-7.11.41.

Mrs. F. P. Needham 5.8.41-5.10.41.

3. STRENGTH-INCREASE

Mrs. M. Buckle 31.7.41.

Miss E. Gramkau 29.7.41.

Sgt. I. M. S. BRAUDE,

Commandant,

Nursing Detachment, H.K.V.D.C.

FIGHTING NIGHT BOMBER

"Those who know best think that in night interception we are rather more than a shade ahead of the enemy," said Mr. Herbert Morrison, Home Secretary and Ministry of Home Security, in London.

"I am told that research and development have gone as far in the last ten months as they would have done in ten years of normal peace-time."

There is good progress in moonlight interception, some progress even on the dark nights. Yet we must beware of jumping to conclusions too easily, of setting our hopes too

POLICE RESERVE MAKE BOLD BID FOR GRASSETT CUP

The Police Reserve team made a very determined bid for the Grasett Challenge Trophy when they fired their match against the Police "A" team during the period July 20 to August 3, and although the latter returned their highest score of the season they could not compete successfully against the excellent marksmanship of P. H. Thong and his team-mates, Thong returning the first open sight "possible" of the season.

The detailed scores of this match are:-

H.K. Police Reserve	100
A.S.I. P. H. Thong	96
Sgt. O. T. Leong	91
S.I. C. C. Chau	90
S.I. A. C. Chan	377
H.K. Police "A"	95
Sgt. Wall	93
Cpl. Naranjan Singh	90
Sgt. Russell	88
Sgt. Puran Singh	166

Although several teams have made aggregate scores of equal value in past matches, the honour of getting the first "D" of the season goes to Middlesex "D" and "C" teams, both of whom surpassed their previous match scores by obtaining 320.

The highest open sight scores of the period were:-100-P. H. Thong, 96-Pte. Stewart (Royal Scots H.Q. "A"), O. T. Leong (Police Reserve), 95-Sgt. Wall (H.K. Police), 94-Jem Nawaboo (Punjab "B"), A. S. Thong (Police Reserve), 93-L/Cpl. Pemberton (R.E. Stanley), Sep. Faqr Singh (Punjab "A"), L/Hav. Chhaghi Ahmed (Rajput "E"), Cpl. Brass (R.A.F. "B").

In the Aperture Sight League R.A.F. team continue to hold their leadership by a small margin, although there is room for considerable improvement in all teams.

Cpl. Henley (R.A.F.) returned the first aperture sight "possible" of the season in the R.A.F. versus Police Reserve "B" match, and it is hoped that it will be the forerunner of many more.

The results of matches completed on August 3 are as follows:-

FIRST DIVISION-OPEN SIGHTS	
22nd (F) Coy R.E. 330, Royal Scots H.Q. Coy "A" 317	
5th/7th Rajput "A" 339, 5th/7th Rajput "B" 333	
H.K.R.N.V.R. "A" v Middlesex "B" 333, 5th/7th Rajput "C" 333, 2nd/14th Punjab "D" 336	
Royal Scots "B" Coy 226, 5th/7th Rajput "D" 318	
Royal Scots "C" Coy 324, Royal Scots "D" Coy "A" 321	
Middlesex "C" 320, Middlesex "D" 326, 5th/7th Rajput "E" 345, 2nd/14th Punjab "E" 335	
H.K. Police "A" 366, H.K. Police Reserve 377	

R.A.F. "A" 346, 2nd/14th Punjab "B" 293	
2nd/14th Punjab "A" 310, 22nd (F) Coy R.E. 307	
H.K.V.D.C. "A" 337, 5th/7th Rajput "A" 343	
H.K. Police Reserve 343, 2nd/14th Punjab "C" 338	
2nd/14th Punjab "B" 326, Royal Scots H.Q. Coy "A" 322	
2nd/14th Punjab "D" 331, Middlesex "C" 301	
Royal Scots "D" Coy "A" 290, H.K. Police "A" 306	
Middlesex "D" 307, R.A.F. "A" 319, 2nd/14th Punjab "E" 343, 2nd/14th Punjab "A" 315	
4th (F) Coy R.E. 321, 2nd/14th Punjab "A" 342	
Middlesex "E" 329, H.K.V.D.C. "A" 336	
Middlesex "F" 294, Royal Scots "A" Coy 280	
Middlesex "F" 341, H.K.R.N.V.R. "A", Dockyard Rifle Club 322, Middlesex "B" 324	
Collinson R.C. "A" 322, Middlesex "A" 324	
Collinson R.C. "A" 309, Royal Scots "C" Coy "A" 332	
* Cards not returned	
* Shot at 20 yards	

SECOND DIVISION	
H.K.V.D.C. "B" 303, Royal Scots H.Q. Coy "B" 338	
H.K.R.N.V.R. "B" 326, Royal Scots "C" Coy "B" 319	
R.E. (Shamshulpo) 308, R.E. (Stonecutters) 344	
R.E. (Stanley) 341, R.E. (Collinson) 221, H.K. Police "B" (20 yards) 262, Royal Scots "D" Coy "B" 267	
R.A.F. "B" 346, Middlesex "F" 292, Collinson R.C. "B" 211, Middlesex "H" 320	

APERTURE SIGHTS	
H.K. Police "A" (20 yards) 368, Royal Scots "C" Coy 361	
R.A.F. 381, H.K. Police Reserve "B" (20 yards) 366	
H.K. Police "B" (20 yards) 360, H.K. Police Reserve "A" (20 yards) 368	

LEAGUE STANDINGS	
First Division-Open Sight	
S.W.T.L. Agr. Pts.	
H.K. Police Res	8 8 0 0 2775 10
H.K. Police "A"	8 7 0 1 2852 14
R.S. "C" Coy "A"	8 7 0 1 2603 11
5th/7th Rajput "A"	8 6 0 2 2659 12
R.A.F. "A"	8 6 0 2 2650 12
5th/7th Rajput "D"	8 6 0 2 2574 12
5th/7th Rajput "E"	7 6 0 1 2336 12

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"Y" SOFTBALL WIN OVER ROYALS

In a second softball match between Royal Scots and Y.M.C.A. yesterday, the latter won by 20 runs to 18. Royal Scots led 18-12 when "Y" lined up for the ninth inning, but thanks partly to Walford, who hit a home run, with a runner on base, "Y" scored eight runs to snatch a dramatic victory.

Inning scores were:-
Scots: 4 0 2 0 3 1 0 7 1
Y.M.: 8 1 2 0 1 0 0 0 8

LOUIS TO MEET LOU NOVA

JOE LOUIS WILL DEFEND HIS WORLD HEAVYWEIGHT BOXING CHAMPIONSHIP AGAINST LOU NOVA AT THE YANKEE STADIUM, NEW YORK, ON SEPTEMBER 19 ACCORDING TO AN ANNOUNCEMENT MADE BY BOXING PROMOTER MIKE JACOBS YESTERDAY.—REUTER.

MAZARIN'S ST. LEGER PROSPECTS

Mazarin, owned and trained by Richard Dawson, established itself as a definite St. Leger prospect by winning the second successive St. Leger trial—the Andover Plate over one mile and five furlongs at Newbury yesterday.

Mazarin, which is by the French sire Meluxce out of Boiarinia, was ridden by Bartlam and started at 5 to 1, beating Sir Victor Sassoon's Royalist by a neck in a thrilling finish with Mrs. MacDonald Buchanan's Thoroughfare, a head behind, third.

Thoroughfare was favourite at 7 to 4, while Royalist was quoted at 6 to 1.

Mazarin had previously won at Salisbury, when it beat Thoroughfare, an odds-on favourite, by three-quarters of a length.—Reuter.

MINIATURE SOCCER INTERPORT PARTY

The following players, who are all participating in the Cheuk Lun Cup small-ball league, have been selected to visit Macao in connection with the Hong Kong Miniature Football Interport, between August 16 and 23:

Wong Kwok-yiu and Cheong Sun (goalkeepers), Fok Yiu-wah and Leung Ping-sang (full-backs), Lau Wing-kwong, Ho Lockay and Mak Wai-lun (half-backs), Lee Wai-lam, Lai Chung-yin, Chiu Wing-keung and Chan Chak-kai (forwards).

BASKETBALL TO-NIGHT

Following is to-night's League basketball programme at Kowloon Chinese Y.M.C.A.:-

Bank Union	v	Sing Tao
Police	v	Black Cats

5th/7th Rajput "B"	6 5 0 1 1970 10
Middlesex "E"	8 4 0 4 2633 8
R.S. H.Q. Coy "A"	8 4 0 4 2579 8
22nd (F) Coy R.E.	8 4 0 4 2530 8
2nd/14th Punjab "B"	8 4 0 4 2484 8
2nd/14th Punjab "E"	7 4 0 3 2253 8
5th/7th Rajput "C"	7 4 0 3 2202 8
Dockyard Rifle Club "B"	7 4 0 3 2185 8
2nd/14th Punjab "A"	9 3 0 6 2609 6
2nd/14th Punjab "C"	8 3 0 5 2595 6
2nd/14th Punjab "D"	8 3 0 5 2429 6
Middlesex "A"	7 3 0 4 2220 6
Collinson R.C. "A"	7 3 0 4 2084 6
Middlesex "B"	8 3 0 5 1462 6
R.S. "A" Coy	7 2 0 5 2028 4
40th (F) Coy R.E.	7 2 0 5 1877 4
Middlesex "D"	7 1 0 5 1973 3
Middlesex "C"	6 1 1 4 1828 3
H.K.V.D.C. "A"	8 1 0 1 2528 2
R.S. "D" Coy "A"	7 1 0 0 2362 2
R.S. "B" Coy	7 1 0 0 2349 2
H.K.R.N.V.R. "A"	8 1 0 0 2094 2

Second Division	
H.K.R.N.V.R. "B"	4 4 0 0 1234 8
H.K. Police "B"	4 3 0 1 1205 6
R.S. "C" Coy "B"	4 3 0 1 1271 6
R.E. (Shamshulpo)	4 3 0 1 1230 6
R.E. (Stonecutters)	3 3 0 0 1004 6
R.A.F. "B"	4 2 0 2 1290 4
R.E. (Stanley)	4 2 0 2 1284 4
R.S. "D" Coy "B"	4 2 0 2 1012 4
Middlesex "G"	3 2 0 1 728 4
Middlesex "H"	4 1 0 3 1193 2
Middlesex "F"	4 1 0 3 1080 2
R.S. H.K. Coy "B"	4 1 0 3 880 2
Collinson R.C. "B"	3 1 0 2 633 2
H.K.V.D.C. "B"	4 0 0 4 1091 0
R.E. (Collinson)	3 0 0 3 691 0

Aperture Sight

R.A.F.	4 4 0 0 1530 8
H.K. Police "B"	4 4 0 0 1527 8
H.K. Police "A"	4 2 0 3 1508 4
H.K. Police "B"	4 1 0 3 1467 2
R. Scots "C" Coy	4 1 0 3 1450 2
H.K. Police "B"	4 0 0 4 1443 0

CRAIGENGOWER-K.B.G.C. GAME TIT-BIT OF BOWLS PROGRAMME

By "Skip"

THE LIST OF GAMES IN THE LAWN BOWLS LEAGUE SCHEDULED FOR THIS AFTERNOON DOES NOT LOOK AS "HOT" AS THE WEATHER IS BOUND TO BE.

Earlier in the season one would have said that the game between Craigengower and Kowloon Bowling Green Club "A" would be the best, but in view of the form since displayed by both, especially the Valley team, one can forecast a win for them with a fair degree of certainty.

Police against Kowloon Dock looks as good as any in First Division, in view of the mainlanders' recent displays but I think they will fall short of requirements today.

Club de Recreio "A" may be expected to beat Kowloon Bowling Green Club "B" quite easily, especially after their triumph over the Austin Road club's "A" last Saturday. The other game may be pretty even with Indians having just enough to get the better of Civil Service Cricket Club.

Footballers Weakened

Although there appear to be only two teams in the running for Second Division honours and promotion, the game at Kowloon Tong—one of the above—and Hong Kong Football Club may prove quite interesting as I feel the Valley team have improved a little lately. Unfortunately, Charlie Needham is on duty, which will weaken Willie Macfarlane's rink, as he is playing well at present.

Kowloon Football Club will be confident of the result of their game against Club de Recreio, even at King's Park, where they will find the green not very different from their own. I think Talkoo can beat Hong Kong Cricket Club at Quarry Bay, but they will have to take no risks, whilst Craikengower may expect to outplay Kowloon Cricket Club.

Strong Electric Team

Hong Kong Electric look about as strong as they have been this season, with Paul Sloan and Lummy skipping and "Pa" Deacon back to the game after a long rest. If he has been practising he will add strength to the team I think, but not enough to worry Kowloon Bowling Green Club very much.

Hong Kong Cricket Club entertain Craikengower and are, I am afraid, in for a beating. The Police v Hong Kong Football Club game should result in a large margin in the former's favour.

Kowloon Football Club must assuredly get the better of Club de Recreio as the game is to be played at Chatham Road.

CRICKET CLUB WIN AT BOWLS

The Third Division Lawn Bowls League game between Hong Kong Cricket Club and Hong Kong Football Club was completed yesterday and resulted in a win for the former on two rinks and on aggregate (4 points to 1).

When the game was abandoned last Saturday, owing to the rain, Cricket Club were leading 51-42 with 9 ends to play.

H.K.C.C.	H.K.F.C.
D. J. Valentine	K. Forrow
W. R. Lambert	J. M. Thomson
T. C. Monaghan	A. G. Gratton
P. Hamilton (s)	23 G. S. Graver (s) 11
H. H. Beddow	A. Balloy
L. E. N. Ryan	J. Russell
H. F. Shields	S. Strange
E. S. Abraham (s)	20 J. Ralsom (s) 23
A. S. Mitchell	T. H. Pearce
E. S. Doughty	B. I. Bickford
A. McKellar	G. E. Stephens
P. S. Cassidy (s)	18 B. A. Mansell (s) 17

Totals: 61 51

Routine business was discussed at yesterday's meeting of junior clubs affiliated to Hong Kong Football Association.

D. S. Binke, Kowloon Football Club centre-forward, who did not have much football last year owing to an injury, hopes to be able to turn out regularly this season. A more than useful cricketer, Blake says he will give up cricket for the time being, but will return to the game after he has had his quota of football, which to him is a much more attractive game.

Bobby Riggs, former American tennis champion and lost winner of the Wimbledon singles title, lost in the quarter-final of the eastern grass courts championships on August 5, to Wayne Sabin who won 8-6, 6-3. Another upset was Bryan "Bitty" Grant's 6-4, 6-2 win against Frank Parker, American Davis Cup player, and Patricia Cannan beat the American ranking player Mary Arnold and Hope Knowles 6-3, 7-5 to enter the semi-final of the women's doubles.—Reuter.

SKIP'S FORECAST

FIRST DIVISION

Rec. "A" (75) v K.B.G.C. "B" (47)	
C.C.C. (65) v K.B.G.C. "A" (60)	
P.R.C. (70) v K.D.R.C. (48)	
C.S.C.C. (62) v I.R.C. (71)	

SECOND DIVISION

Rec. (72) v K.F.C. (65)	
Talkoo (48) v H.K.C.C. (68)	
K. Tong (74) v H.K.F.C. (55)	
C.C.C. (61) v K.C.C. (54)	

THIRD DIVISION

H.K.C.C. (40) v C.C.C. (72)	
K.B.G.C. (73) v Electric (48)	
K.F.C. (46) v Rec. (62)	
H.K.F.C. (46) v P.R.C. (83)	

Figures in brackets denote the result of the first round games this season.

OPEN PAIRS RESULTS

Four of the remaining games in the Third Round of the Colony Lawn Bowls Pairs championship were played yesterday, three of which being closely contested.

At Craikengower Cricket Club, S. Eccleshall and J. Shepherd beat E. V. Searle and G. E. F. Thompson by 20-13. Eccleshall and Shepherd led 10-4 at the 11th but Searle and Thompson with 2 2 3 0 2 took the lead at 13-11 at the 16th, to complete their scoring. The winners finished strongly with 1 4 1 1 2 to win by seven shots after scoring a 14 ends.

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Last Head Decides

At Kowloon Football Club, H. Spong and E. Levett of Kowloon Bowling Green Club beat A. B. Coleman and W. Gill of Hong Kong Football Club by 21-18, thanks to a three at the last end. Spong and Levett led 7-2 at the 6th but the Valley pair with 4 1 2 led 9-7 at the 9th. At the 15th the score was 12-11 in favour of the Kowloon pair, who then scored a five at the next, to which Gill replied with 1 2 4 to lead 18-17 at the 18th. Spong and Levett then scored a single to draw level and a three at the last end gave them a win by three shots after scoring at 11 ends.

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Dock Pair Succeed

C. S. M. Thom and J. Williamson of Kowloon Docks beat G. Davies and G. Willeford of Police Recreation Club by 22-21 at Kowloon Football Club yesterday.

The Dock pair started with 2 0 3 0 3 5 to lead 13-4 at the 6th. Police pair then had 3 2 1 0 5 to lead 15-14 at the 11th. At the 19th Police were leading 21-18 but failed to score at the last two ends while Thom and Williamson finished with a single and a two to win by one shot.

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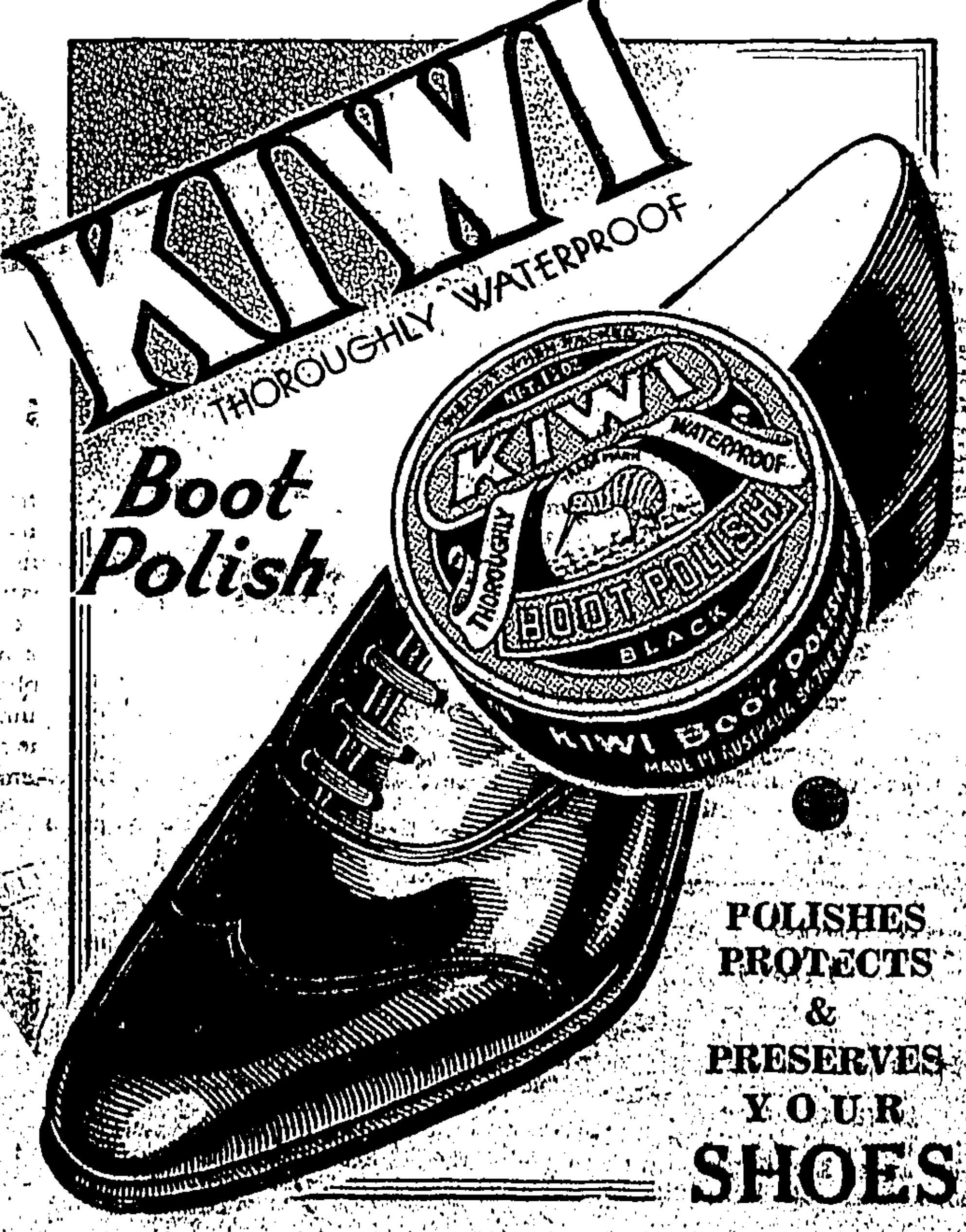
A Close Finish

At Club de Recreio, Y. H. Tang and A. J. Kew of Kowloon Tong advanced into the next round at the expense of T. Coleman and P. Yungghusband whom they beat by 10-17.

At the 9th Tang and Kew led 9-7 and were 12-8 in the lead at the 13th. Coleman and Yungghusband then scored 3 1 2 0 1 to lead 15-13 at the 18th. The Kowloon Tong pair then scored a two and a three, to which Yungghusband replied with a brace at the last end to lose by one shot, after scoring at 11 ends.

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A hockey on roller skates match was played yesterday at Kowloon Skating Rink, Mongkok, when Kowloon Skating Club "B" team were defeated to a draw by Hong Kong Skating Club "A" in the "Chi Yin Xat Pao" League.



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NO TURNING BACK ON PART OF JAPAN

LORD WILLINGDON SERIOUSLY ILL

Lord Willingdon, former Governor-General of Canada and Viceroy of India, is seriously ill with double pneumonia at his London home, where his wife is in constant attendance.

Last night's bulletin recorded a slight improvement.—Reuter.

FAR EAST AFFECTS STOCK EXCHANGE

The London Stock Exchange yesterday continued to maintain firm undertone despite some week-end profit-taking influenced by the Far Eastern uncertainties. Gift-edged securities were fully steady and industrials are still moving generally upward, especially breweries, while South American rails were again firm on good traffic, but home rails and Kaffirs recorded small losses though they were mainly steadier at the close. Foreign bonds were steady, including Japanese. Wall Street was very quiet.—Reuter.

ADMIRAL TOYODA'S STATEMENT

"NO ENCIRCLEMENT, WHETHER ALREADY REALISED OR IN PREPARATION, CAN TURN JAPAN ASIDE FROM THE ROAD IN WHICH SHE IS TREADING. JAPAN WILL NOT REMAIN INDIFFERENT TO ANY NEW MEASURE THREATENING HER SECURITY AND THAT OF EASTERN ASIA."

This statement was made by the Japanese Foreign Minister, Admiral Toyoda, in a written reply to a series of questions put to him jointly by the Tokyo correspondents of the official Italian and German news agencies, according to a despatch published in Rome yesterday.

The question to which he was in particular replying was "What are your views on the economic encirclement of Japan?"

Asked if "the political and military agreement concluded between Great Britain and the Soviet Union, not to mention the United States," was considered contrary to the spirit of the Pact of Neutrality signed by Japan and the U.S.S.R., "especially after the last declaration of Mr. Eden," Admiral Toyoda gave no direct answer, merely remarking it was the attitude of Britain and America which preoccupied Japan.

Purely Pacific!

Japan was watching the situation with "extreme attention" as "she cannot and will not remain indifferent to the evolution of the political and military situation which might develop in the regions which surround her."

"I take this opportunity of repeating that the so-called Japanese expansion in the south is in reality a policy having a purely pacific character and aim."

Ridiculous

It was destined, Admiral Toyoda continued, to establish between Japan and the southern region, whose collaboration would be otherwise called for by ethnical and geographical reasons, relations advantageous for the whole world.

"It is simply ridiculous and incomprehensible the way some countries misunderstand the real intentions of Japan and make false accusations against her," Admiral Toyoda concluded.—Reuter.

SUPPORT FOR U.S.S.R.

The National Executive of the Mineworkers Federation, at a meeting in London yesterday, decided that in order to demonstrate friendship and solidarity with Russia, districts should be asked to contribute the sum of 2/6d per member to assist Russian workers and miners of the Soviet Union.—Reuter.

NEWS PICTURES FROM MOSCOW

Arrangements have been completed by the new Minister of Information, Mr. Brenden Braeken, for wireless news pictures direct from Moscow to London, says a Reuter telegram.

AMERICANS LEAVE SAIGON

The liner "Marechal Joffre" left Saigon for Manila yesterday carrying 52 American evacuees, principally missionaries.—Reuter.

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STOP PRESS

Despite Germany's announcement that the Smolensk battle has been victoriously concluded, the Berlin correspondent of the "Die Tat" of Zurich writes that further German progress towards Moscow depends on "how far the Red Army is able to bring fresh reserves into the field. Apparently the Russians have succeeded in the technical feat of bringing up reserves from Asiatic Russia."

"It is known that the Russians dispose their strongest bodies of troops in the rural regions."

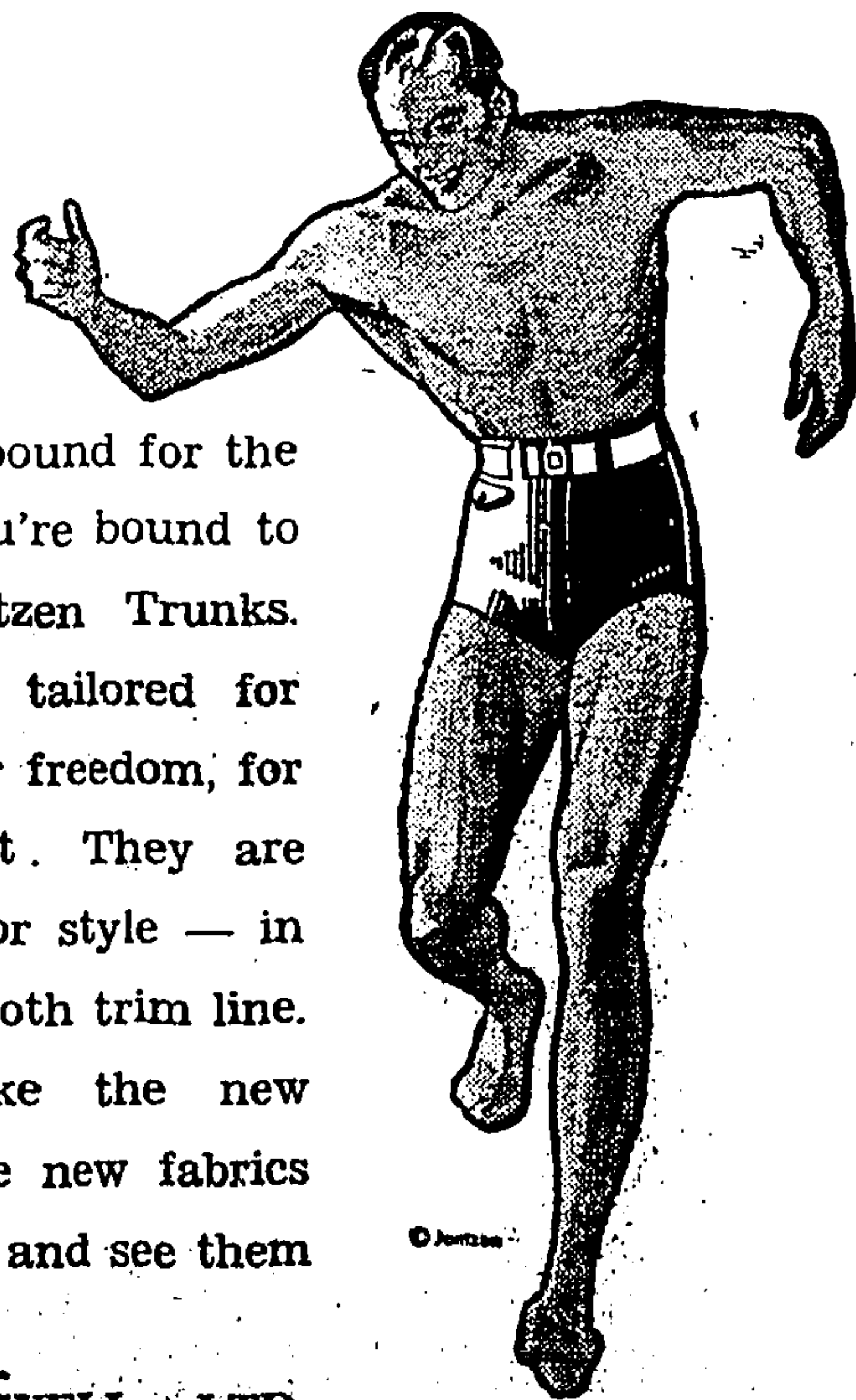
Stating the Germans are again prophesying an early defeat of the Russian Army the correspondent adds: "It is realised that such a defeat would by no means imply the end of the Russo-German war. Even then prolonged local resistance on a big scale of guerilla warfare is expected. The Russian resistance has been far stronger than expected and the Bolshevik General Staff appears to operate skilfully. The Russian Army has caused big surprises both through unexpected quality of tenacity and quantity of material."—Reuter.

Few enemy aircraft flew over the Eastern coastal areas of Britain yesterday, says an Air Ministry and Ministry for Home Security communique. One was shot down by R.A.F. fighters.

No bombing had been reported up to 8 p.m. G.M.T. on Friday.

In offensive operations over the English Channel on Thursday, the R.A.F. destroyed seven enemy aircraft and not four as previously announced.—Reuter.

A Soviet communique yesterday stated: "Our troops fought the enemy in the direction of Kexholm, Smolensk, Korksten, Byelya-Tserkov and in the Estonian sector of the front.—Reuter."



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